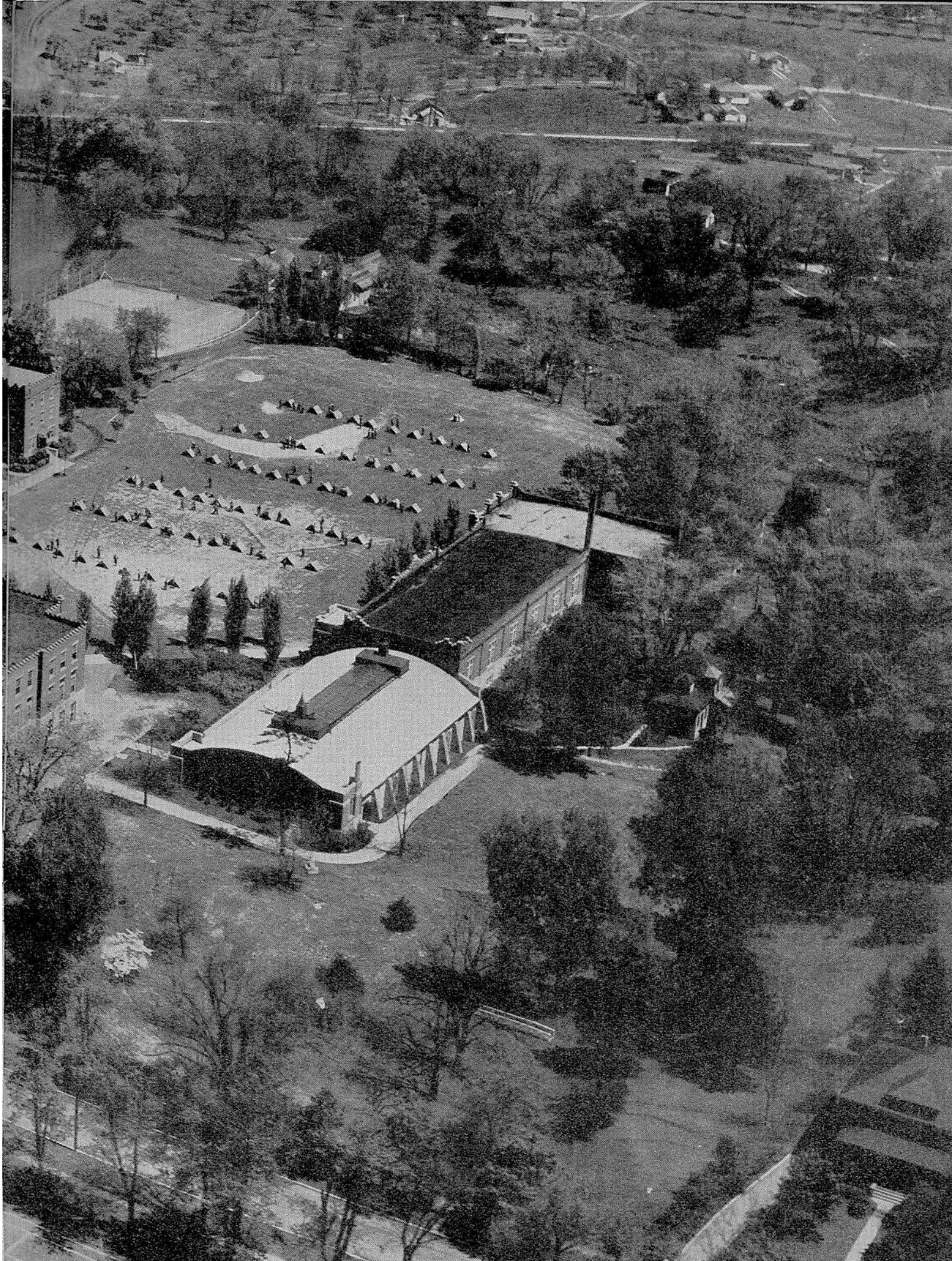
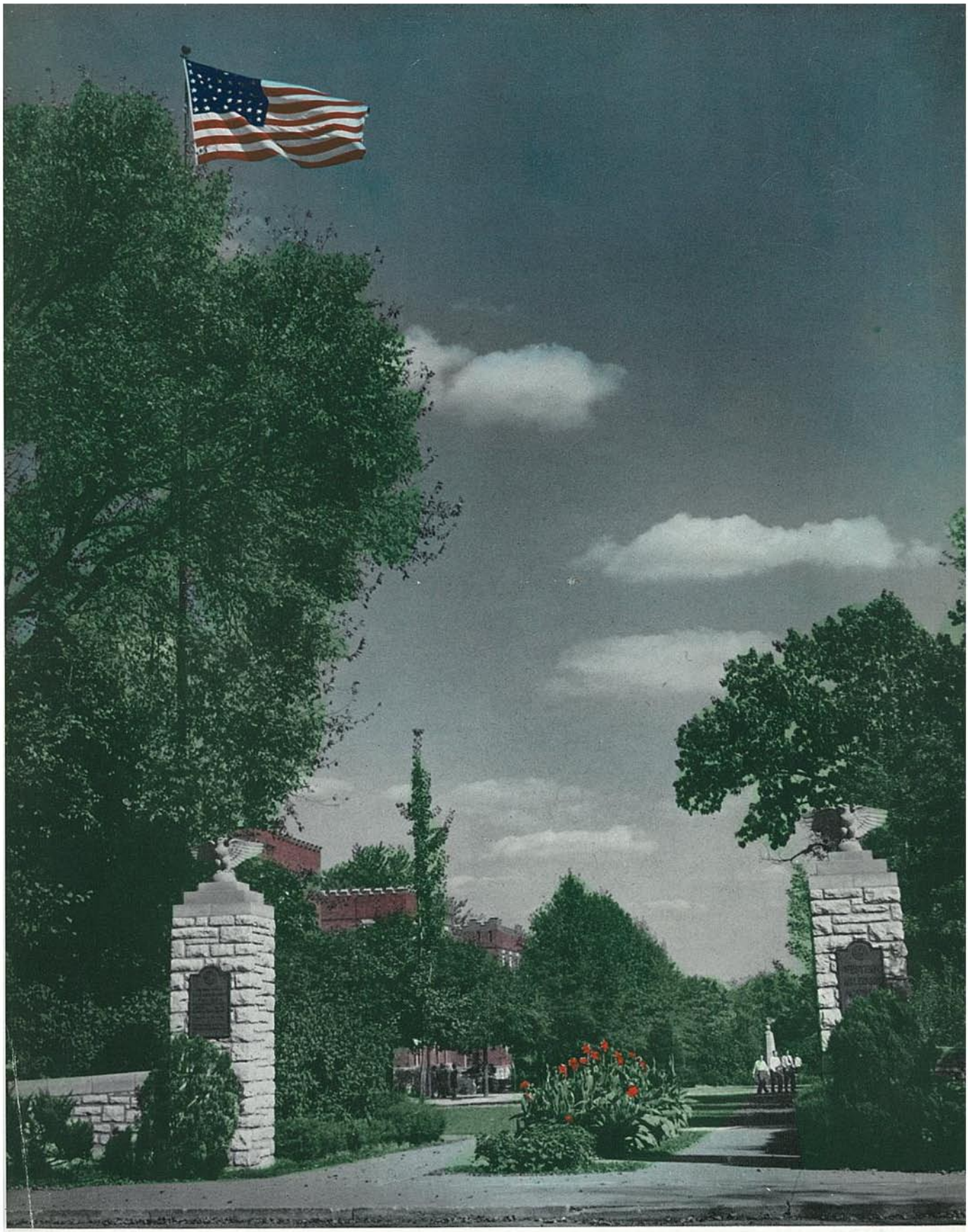
We'll Always Remember

Scrapbook





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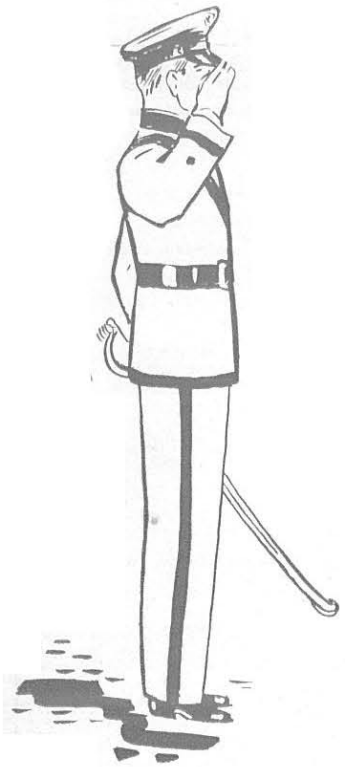

THE MEMORIAL GATE

A cadet's first view of Western is The Memorial Gate. Through that portal thousands of youths have entered to begin their prep school career and to share the busy Academy life. From that gateway, after commencement farewells, have departed hundreds of graduates to meet the challenge of college, business, or the armed services.

Over eight hundred Western alumni are now in the armed forces of the United States. Trained in leadership and military efficiency, they have made a glorious record of which the old school and the nation are proud.

Twenty-three of the "old boys" have already made the supreme sacrifice—for honor, for right, for country, for God.

The Class of 1944, now about to join that courageous battalion of alumni, salutes those cadets of former years. And for those who have unselfishly given their all, the Class of 1944, with a pledge to carry on their noble traditions, sounds

A REVERENT TAPS FOR

2nd Lieut. Dudley T. Atkins, '41
Infantry. July, 1943.

1st Lieut. Douglas Boudeman, '36
Air Corps. March, 1943.

Capt. Ralph A. Colby, '35
Infantry. August, 1943.

2nd Lieut. Chester P. Grimm, '33
Air Corps. February, 1943.

2nd Lieut. Carl Helmstetter, '38
Air Corps. December, 1942.

Staff Sgt. J. Bennett Hubbs, '31
Chemical Warfare. January, 1944.

Capt. Rex K. Latham, Jr., '35
Air Corps. March, 1943.

1st Lieut. J. B. Lyman, '38
Air Corps. May, 1943.

Capt. John L. Robinson, '36
Air Corps. May, 1943.

Herman Schippers, '34
Lost with ship off Australia.

2nd Lieut. Vance I. Shield, Jr., '38
Infantry. August, 1943.

Capt. Robert E. Winkelmeyer, '36
Air Corps. October, 1943.

Pvt. Ralph Biddle, '39
Infantry. March, 1944.

Capt. Henri Chouteau, '36
R.C.A.F. May, 1943.

Capt. John Franciscus, '25
Air Corps. May, 1943.

Lieut. (J.G.) Edwin W. Hampton, '32
Naval Reserve. January, 1944.

A/C Howard S. Henderson, '41
Air Corps. April, 1944.

A/C Robert W. Knapp, '41
Air Corps. January, 1944.

2nd Lieut. Max Mitchell, '30
Infantry. March, 1944.

Lieut. Commander Edward O'Hare, '32
Naval Air Corps. December, 1943.

Capt. Robert W. Rulkoetter, '34
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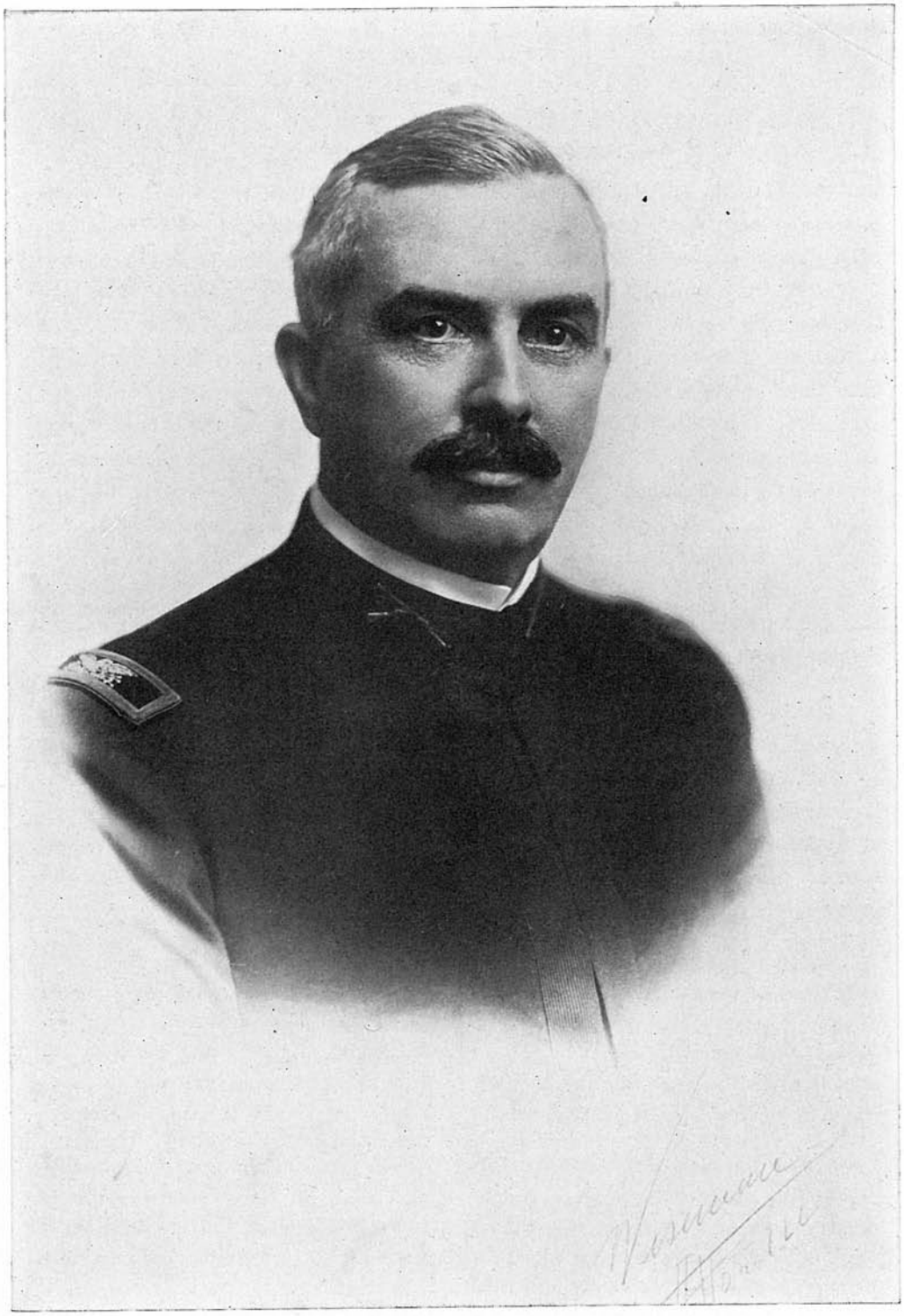


Colonel Albert Matthews Jackson

THE CLASS OF

NINETEEN HUNDRED TWENTY - THREE

HEREWITH DEDICATES THIS BOOK

TO THE FOND MEMORY

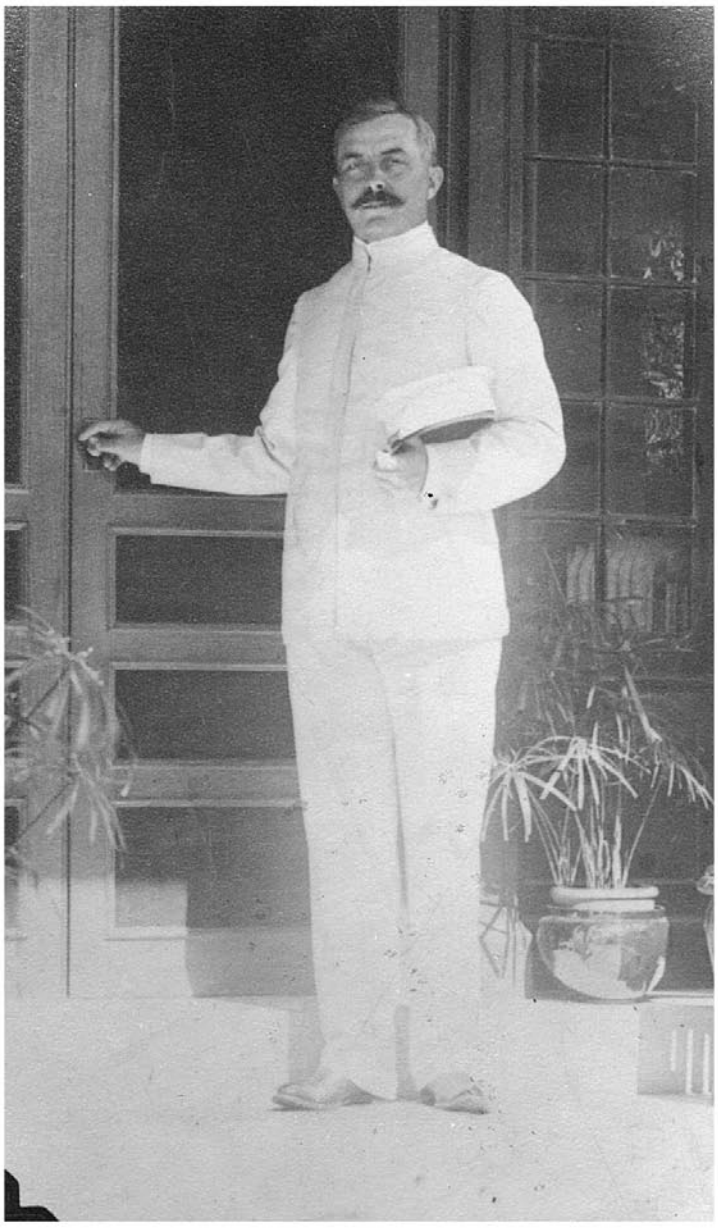
OF

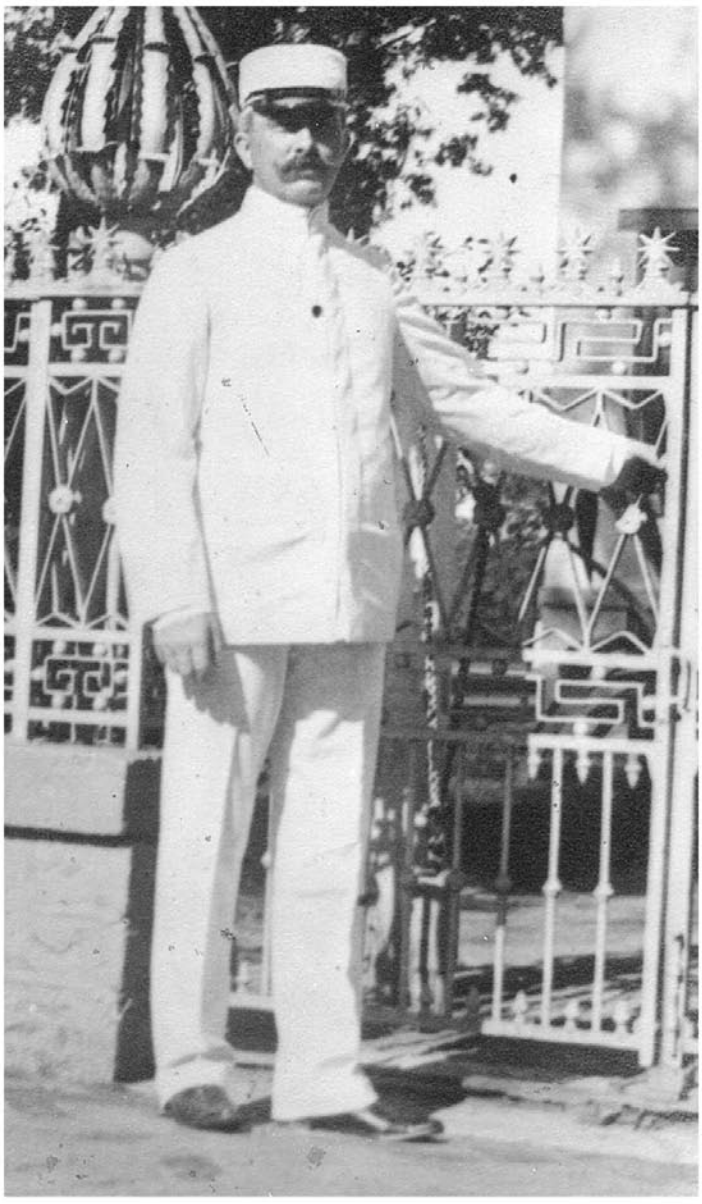
Colonel Albert Matthews Jackson

Few of our number have had the pleasure of knowing Colonel A. M. Jackson personally, for his death occurred in the spring before our class entered Western.

We have learned to love his memory and to think of him and his works as a vital and fundamental part of the institution. His life stands as an inspiration to the best that is in us. May his kindliness, his unselfishness, and his high sense of honor be our guiding stars.

His noble character links itself inseparably with our fond memories of 'Old Western'.





Introduction to Military

The Reserve Officers Training Corps

ON April 6, 1917 we entered the World War. Three months later a small detachment of regulars gave their inspiration to France beside the tomb of Lafayette. In November a few Americans were killed in action along the Western Front. They were our first contribution in blood. Seven months had now passed and only a few divisions had crossed the seas to help our allies in arms.

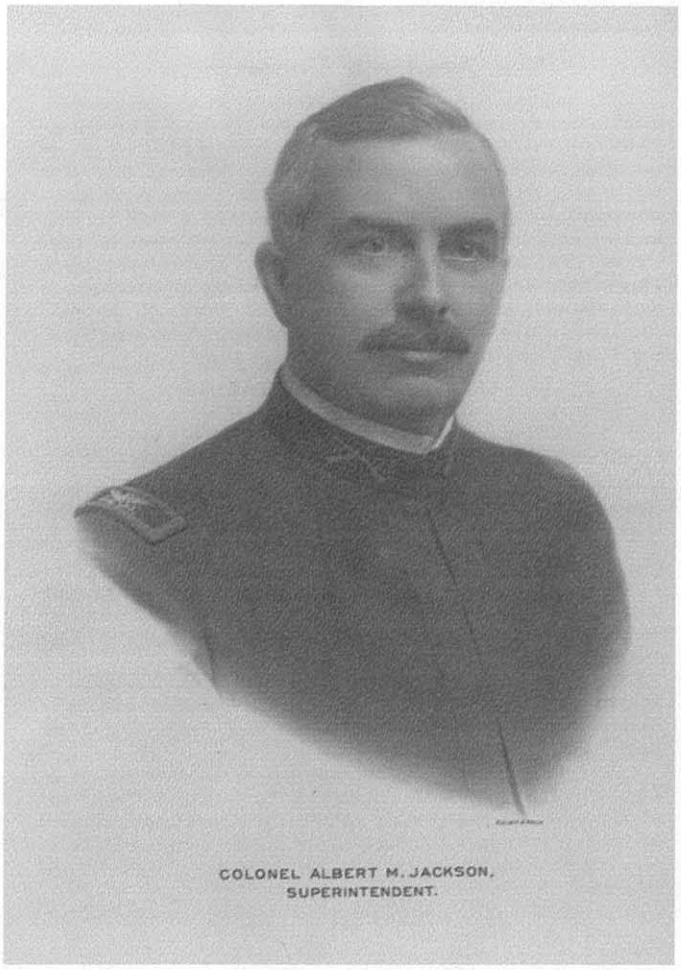
The draft promised millions of men. But they could serve no immediate purpose. Officers were needed. No great army could be assembled without them. Consequently large camps were established for their training. Fortunately we were far from the theatre of operations, and could pursue the task without fear or hindrance. Five months after our entrance into the War these newly made officers began fashioning the great body of citizens into the National Army. Had either France or England taken so long to put considerable forces along the Marne or in Flanders, both would have tasted the bitterness of defeat.

We borrow no fears from time. We cherish no illusions. But we do know, that we are rich and great, and that we are the envy of less fortunate peoples. We do not expect to be the easy object of their spoilation. We hope to frustrate their designs by immediate defense. We intend to be prepared.

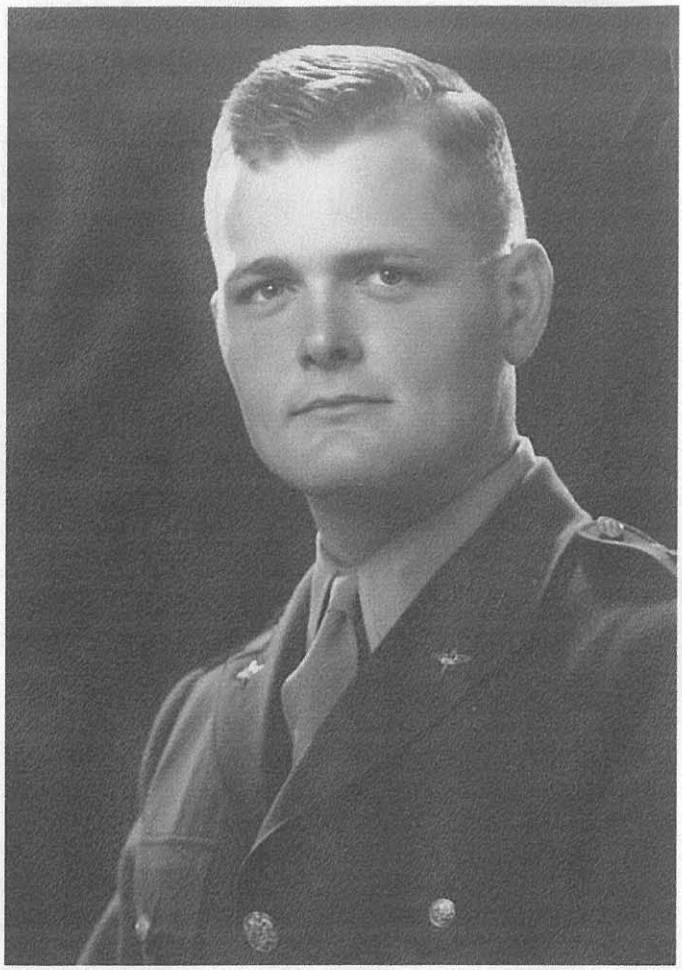
Such preparation presumes an adequate number of reserve officers. The present Reserve Officers Training Corps supplies this long felt need. The Corps has become an integral part in the curricula of many schools and colleges. A unit of it is established at Western. Each graduating class supplies material for new reserve officers. They help fill the places made vacant by those who have fallen by the way thru death or disease. Thru them the knowledge and traditions of reserve regiments continues unbroken. A flaming torch is their insigna. They bear aloft a light to guide the steps of others in times of great emergency. To them will be committed the responsibility of leadership in the ordeal of battle. May those from Western prove equal to the greatness of their task.

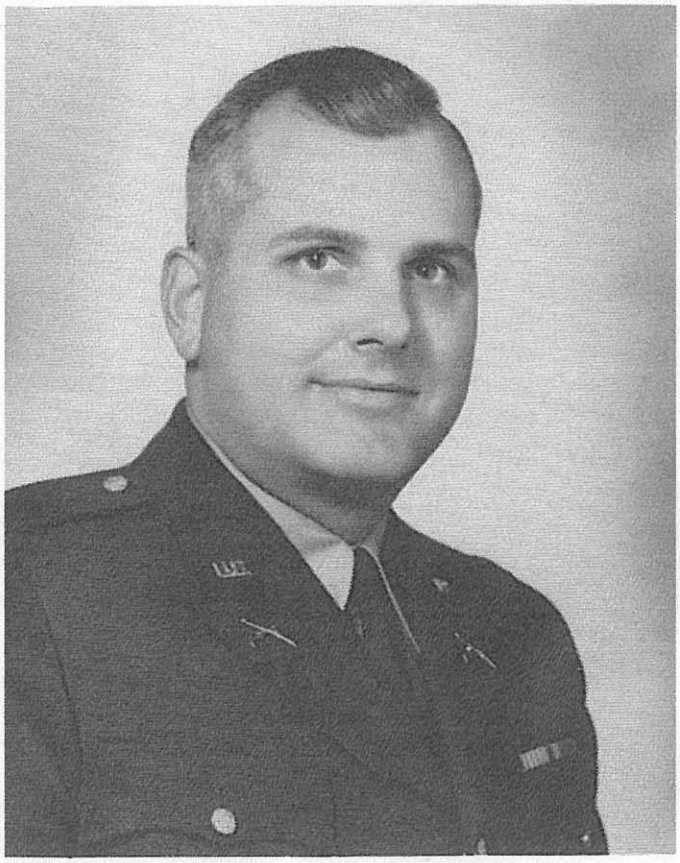
James R Jacobs

Major Retired



COLONEL ALBERT M. JACKSON,
SUPERINTENDENT.





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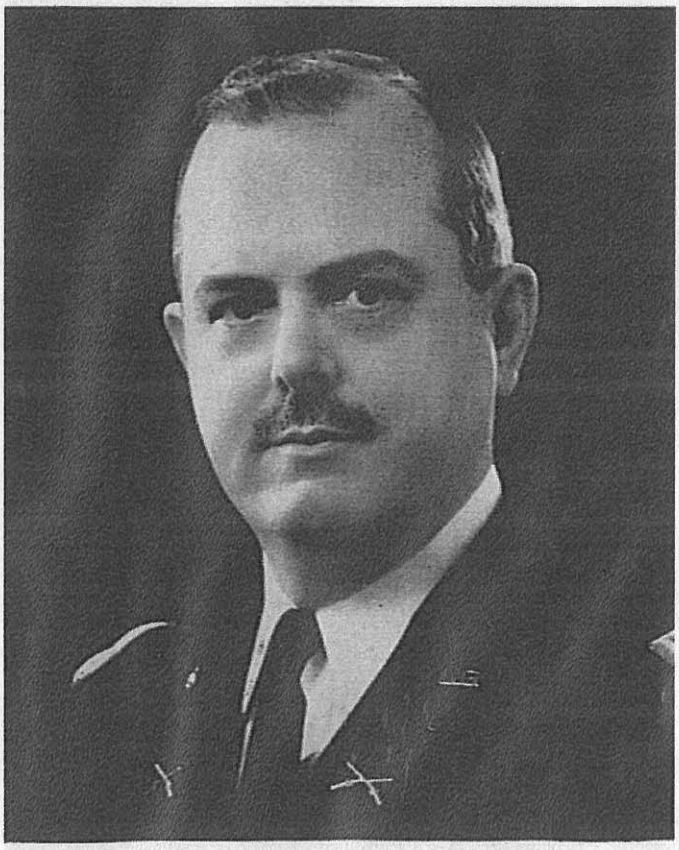

COL. R. L. JACKSON, Superintendent

Executive Officers

COL. R. L. JACKSON
Superintendent

MRS. BERTA KIBBY
Director of Admissions

COLONEL RALPH L. JACKSON

DEDICATED

TO THE MEMORY

OF

COLONEL RALPH L. JACKSON

AUGUST 13, 1888

AUGUST 14, 1952

For the greater part of our cadet days, the members of this Senior Class were under the wise guidance of Colonel Ralph L. Jackson, superintendent since 1925.

His untimely death last August ended a career of over fifty years at Western - - first, as a cadet and graduate of the Academy, and then as an instructor, coach, and finally as superintendent. Colonel Jackson returned to W. M. A. after receiving his degree from Princeton University in 1911. From that time on, the school was his very life.

No one has known so much or has been so proud of Western's traditions as Colonel R. L. Jackson. Succeeding his father, Col. A. M. Jackson, as the head of the institution, he maintained the high standards of W.M.A. and increased its prestige as one of the foremost boys' preparatory schools in the United States.

Colonel Jackson always stressed academic training and character development above all other objectives. He insisted upon the best possible service for his cadets in every department of the school.

Seniors this year missed the Colonel's warm interest, wise counsel, and firm guidance. It is with respect and affection that they dedicate this 1953 "Recall" to the memory of a great school man, administrator, and friend - - Colonel Ralph L. Jackson. Our class and the many classes to come will benefit from the heritage which his useful life has bequeathed to Western Military Academy.

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In Memory of Col. R. L. Jackson

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Colonel Jackson's Successful Career At Western Covered A Span Of Over 50 Years

Prestige Of Academy Grew Under His Guidance; Active In Civic, National Affairs

The death of Colonel R. L. Jackson ended a career at Western Military Academy which covered a span of over fifty years, including his cadet days and his period of service as a member of the faculty and superintendent of the institution. No one in the history of the school has known so much or has been so proud of the

Colonel Ralph Jackson followed in the footsteps of his father, the late Colonel A. M. Jackson, who had also graduated from Princeton in 1884 and later received his A.M. Degree there. Col. A. M. Jackson and the late Col. George D. Eaton were considered the real founders of the modern Western Military Academy. They assumed the control and direction of the school in 1892 upon the death of Dr. Edward Wyman, who had organized the insti-

COL. RALPH LeROY JACKSON
1888-1952

Death Of Colonel Jackson Saddens All Who Knew Him

Funeral Services On Aug. 16 Attended By Hundreds Of Cadets, Alumni, And Friends

Colonel R. L. Jackson, the beloved and respected superintendent of Western, died of a heart attack at 2:30 A. M. on August 14, 1952, following his sixty-fourth birthday on August 13. He had suffered from a heart condition for several years, but his passing was a shock to all who knew him.

Colonel Jackson was active and cheerful up to the very last, maintaining his usual contact with Western Military Academy, which was his main interest in life. He had never allowed his illness to cloud the cheerfulness and optimism of his disposition.

Had Observed Birthday

On his sixty-fourth birthday he had attended to his office affairs as usual. He had had a quiet dinner with his sons, Lieut. R. B. Jackson and Capt. C. B. Jackson, and families, his sister, Mrs. R. K. Latham, Mrs. Harriet Hopkins, and two close friends. He opened his gifts, and the group watched television until 10.30 P. M. The Colonel retired, and was stricken about 1:00 A. M. He called Mrs. Hopkins, his sister-in-law by his first marriage. Oxygen was administered and Dr. Harry Mantz, his personal physician and a Western graduate of '28, arrived quickly, but there was nothing that could be done. Colonel Jackson passed away at 2:30 A. M.

Lieut. Ralph B. Jackson Elected New Superintendent To Succeed His Father

LIEUT. RALPH B. JACKSON
New Superintendent

Strong, Experienced Staff To Continue Policies Which Have Made Western A Great School

Western Military Academy suffered a great loss in the death of Colonel R. L. Jackson, but he left a trained organization of key men who will carry on the work of the school successfully. He had given a great deal of thought and energy to building a strong staff of experienced and loyal executives and faculty.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors, his oldest son, Lieut. Ralph B. Jackson, was elected president and superintendent of the Academy. He has been on the faculty, both before and after World War II, as an instructor, coach, and finally as assistant superintendent for the past two years.

Third Generation In Charge

Lieut. Jackson represents the third generation of his family to assume control of Western. He was born in Alton in 1917 and graduated from Western in 1935 as a cadet officer. As a cadet, he set new records on the swimming team.

Lieut. Jackson attended Colorado College and Princeton University. He received his A.B. Degree from the University of Chicago and his A.M. Degree from Washington University, St. Louis. His teaching career at W.M.A. was interrupted by service as an officer in the U. S. Navy during World War II. In 1951 he was married to Miss Ruth Cousens of Brock-

Mrs. Hazel Garetson, Daughter Of W. M. A. Co-founder, Dies

An added shock at the time of Col. Jackson's funeral was the death of Mrs. Hazel Garetson, 58, of Evanston, Ill., which occurred at her summer home in Sister Bay, Wisc., on Friday, August 15, the day after the Colonel's death. She was the daughter of the late Col. George D. Eaton, a co-founder of Western along with the late Col. A. M. Jackson. She had been closely associated with the Jackson family and with the school. She was a frequent visitor on the campus and attended Commencement here last

Mrs. R. K. Latham Dies–Daughter Of Western's Founder

Mrs. Rex Knight Latham, daughter of the late Col. A. M. Jackson, one of Western's founders, died at her home near the campus in the early morning hours of January 1, 1966. She was 79 years old. She had exchanged cheerful New Year's greetings with neighbors, but she passed away peacefully in her sleep.

Mrs. Latham was born, Florence Alberta Jackson, in Pennsylvania. Her father, the late Col. A. M. Jackson, was one of the founders of the Academy. Her brother, the late Col. R. L. Jackson, was for many years superintendent. Two nephews, Col. Ralph B. Jackson and Lt. Col. Charles B. Jackson, are presently operating the school.

Western Was Her Life

She was affectionately known as "Aunt Florence". Western was her life. She attended all events, games, and social affairs on the campus. She was the only girl ever to attend classes at W.M.A. for any length of time. She was a source of information on Academy happenings and alumni for many years. She attended Shurtleff College in Alton and graduated from Smith College, Northhampton, Mass.

She was married to the late Col. R. K. Latham when he was a young instructor at Western. Later he returned to serve as a W.M.A. executive. He died in 1938.

Lost Two Sons in Service

Two of her three sons, Western graduates, lost their lives in World War II. Capt. Rex K. Latham, Jr., '35, of the U. S. Air Force, died in a plane crash in New Mexico in 1943, and 1st Lieut. James K. Latham, '39, of the Marine Corps, was killed in action in Okinawa in 1945. Mrs. Latham is survived by one son, Dr. Albert Jackson Latham, Ph.D., Class '36, of Dallas, Tex., four grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. Dr. Jack Latham was here for the final service.

Mrs. Latham was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the American Association of University Women, and the Upper Alton Woman's Club.

Cadet Pallbearers

The funeral services were held in the parlors of Western Military Academy with the Rev. Paul Krebs officiating. Burial was in the family plot in the Upper Alton Cemetery. The flag on the campus was at half-mast.

Pallbearers were cadets whose fathers and grandfathers had attend-

FAREWELL TO A GREAT LADY

The passing of Mrs. Rex K. Latham removed a great lady from the Western scene. Her life and her interests were closely associated not only with her family but with Western Military Academy itself. Her father, the late Col. A. M. Jackson, was one of the founders. Her husband was a long-time official at the Academy. Her three sons, Rex, Jr., Jack and Jim aswell as her four nephews, were all W.M.A. grads.

"Aunt Florence" was a great lady because she faced several tragedies, such as the death of her husband and the loss of two sons in World War II, with superb courage. She was great because she never lost her zest for life. She was always loyal to her friends. She loved Western and was present at every event on the campus.

As Mr. Paul Cousley said in an editorial in the Alton Evening Telegraph, Mrs. Latham always welcomed contact with neighbors, relatives, and friends. She had lived a gentle life and had retired to die peacefully in her sleep, her quiet dignity preserved to the end.

Though she was almost 80 years old, Mrs. Latham's hair was naturally black. She loved to dress in red. And that is the way her friends and relatives will remember her. She spent much time with the children of Col. Ralph Jackson and Lt. Col. Charles B. Jackson. She was always a welcome guest in their homes, and children loved to call upon her.

So farewell to a great lady, Mrs. Florence Latham. Her passing marks the end of an era at Western Military Academy.

Col. Ralph L. Jackson, *Superintendent*
Major Rex K. Latham, *Sec. and Treas.*

Major Robert E. Wilkinson, *Principal*
Major Russell S. Eaton, *Registrar*

Headquarters

Western Military Academy

FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR

Alton, Illinois

FOUNDED IN 1879 INCORPORATED IN 1892

"WHY SHOULD I SEND MY SON TO THE WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY?"

Dear Mr. Smith:

I know that you have been giving a great deal of thought to the matter of your son's education, and that you realize the important bearing his preparatory school work will have on his success in college or in business. You have asked me to tell you why you should send your son to Western rather than to the local public school. I believe that there are three good reasons, which I will explain in some detail, in order that you may fully understand the advantages which we offer.

In the first place, Western is a private school. This means that we are entirely separate from the red-tape of politics, and that we are free to adopt new ideas as soon as their practical worth has been demonstrated. Educational methods are constantly changing, just like everything else, and pupils in private schools have the advantage of the very latest thought in the proper technique of teaching. Classes in the private school are only one half to one third as large as those in the average public school. The instructors are thus able to regard each pupil as a special problem, and a great deal of attention can be given to the proper direction of individual effort.

In the second place, Western is a boarding school. The many distractions which are unavoidable in the average home are entirely absent here, and the whole atmosphere is conducive to success, whether in studies or in the other activities of the school. The regularity of the life, the democratic spirit which prevails, and the constant association of men of high purpose with boys of ambition, are characteristics of the boarding school which are conspicuous by their absence elsewhere.

In the third place, Western is a military school. The problem of discipline is reduced to a minimum, and boys are taught to "play the game" fairly and squarely. Intelligence, manhood, and high moral character are the qualifications which one must possess to become an officer in the cadet corps. Thus the leaders of the student body—the boys who set the example—are those whom it would pay any lad to emulate. All boys find the various features of the military training intensely interesting, and the resultant improvement in physical development is often nothing short of astounding. The program is thorough, and graduates of Western are well prepared to defend their country in time of need.

Of course, the best way for you to form an intelligent opinion of Western is to see it with your own eyes. I feel sure that you would find a visit to the school to be both pleasant and instructive, and I take this opportunity to invite you and your family to call at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

R. L. JACKSON,
Superintendent.

practicable extent, especially in the direction of their prospective vocations, they will, until so qualified, be taught to regard as of prime importance to them the elementary, practical studies.

The organization of the school is such, and its supply of teachers so liberal, that classes are formed to meet the wants of all, so that every cadet is not only put upon work which he is competent to do, but he has the opportunity of making as rapid advancement in it as he is capable of making.

But, while the student's progress is not impeded by any unequal yoking with others, he is not encouraged to measure it by the multitude of his text-books or the amount of ground "gone over." Thorough proficiency in all he undertakes is required, and superficial work is not tolerated.

School Paper, "The Reveille."

"THE REVEILLE" is issued quarterly by the cadets, under the direction of certain members of the faculty. The work of the editors and contributors is so managed as to be a most beneficial exercise in composition. The paper is made to reflect the life and thoughts of the cadets. The editorial staff consists of the following:

Editor-in-Chief—E. M. Voorhees.
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Alumni Notes—C. R. Gray.
Exchanges—H. H. Goddard.
Illustrator—T. H. Benton.
Supervising Editors { Mrs. M. K. Dodge.
Major G. D. Eaton.

Library.

The cadet library contains about 600 volumes of readable boys' books, and from seventy-five to one hundred new books are added each year. The English teachers assist in the selection of the new books, and suggestions are also received from the cadets themselves. Perhaps no other single feature of school life is so greatly enjoyed and appreciated as the cadet library, and it receives the hearty support and approval of practically the entire corps. The leading periodicals, both daily and weekly, are kept on file, and cadets have free access to them during recreation hours.

TACTICS

Preparation at Headquarters.

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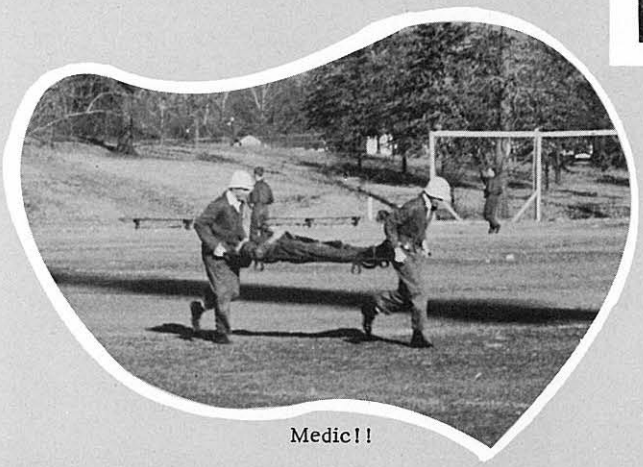
THERE MAY COME A TIME WHEN....

Indirect fire support from the 60mm mortar.

Backstage...the commander speaks.

Firepower under control.



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....WE WILL NEED THIS

EXPERIENCE

Victorious return.

WAR!

"To the Congress of the United States:

"Yesterday, December 7, 1941—a date which will live in infamy—the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan.

"The United States was at peace with that nation and at the solicitation of Japan, was still in conversation with its government and its Emperor, looking toward the maintenance of peace in the Pacific.

"Indeed, one hour after Japanese air squadrons had commenced bombing in Oahu, the Japanese Ambassador to the United States and his colleagues delivered to the Secretary of State a formal reply to a recent American message. While this reply stated that it seemed useless to continue the existing diplomatic negotiations, it contained no threat or hint of war or armed attack.

It will be recorded that the distance of Hawaii from Japan makes it obvious that the attack was deliberately planned many days or even weeks ago. During the intervening time, the Japanese Government has deliberately sought to deceive the United States by false statements and expressions of hope for continued peace.

"The attack yesterday on the Hawaiian Islands has caused severe damage to American naval and military forces. Very many American lives have been lost. In addition, American ships have been reported torpedoed on the high seas between San Francisco and Honolulu.

"Yesterday the Japanese Government also launched an attack against Malaya.

"Last night Japanese forces attacked Hong Kong.

"Last night Japanese forces attacked Guam.

"Last night Japanese forces attacked the Philippine Islands.

"Last night the Japanese attacked Wake Island.

"This morning the Japanese attacked Midway Island.

"Japan has, therefore, undertaken a surprise offensive extending throughout the Pacific area. The facts of yesterday speak for themselves. The people of the United States have already formed their opinions and well understand the implications to the very life and safety of our nation.

"As commander in chief of the army and navy, I have directed that all measures be taken for our defense.

"Always will we remember the character of the onslaught against us.

"No matter how long it may take us to overcome this premeditated invasion, the American people in their righteous might will win through to absolute victory.

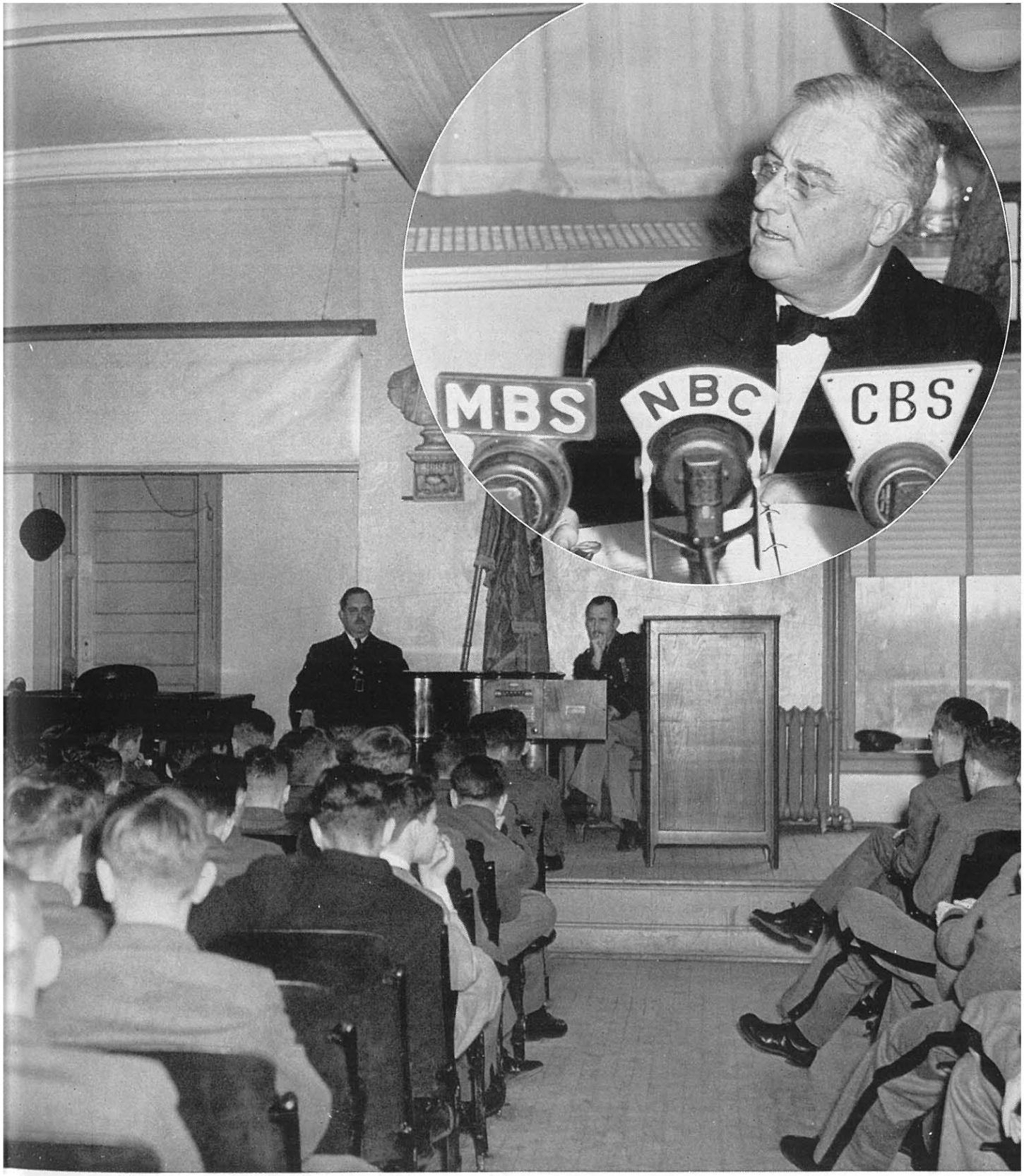
"I believe I interpret the will of the Congress and of the people when I assert that we will not only defend ourselves to the uttermost, but will make very certain that this form of treachery shall never endanger us again.

"Hostilities exist. There is no blinking at the fact that our people, our territory and our interests are in grave danger.

"With confidence in our armed forces—with the unbounding determination of our people—we will gain the inevitable triumph—so help us God.

"I ask that the Congress declare that since the unprovoked and dastardly attack by Japan on Sunday, December seventh, a state of war has existed between the United States and the Japanese Empire.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.



The assembled corps listens in solemn silence as President Roosevelt asks Congress for a declaration of war.

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Our Graduates Set An Example

We have had so many letters from W.M.A. grads who are making outstanding records in the fields of business, the theater, professions, and the Armed Forces of the United States. They include actors, ministers, educators, doctors, bankers, and executives.

Just read some of their letters or accounts of their success. They are proud to serve their country and they fill positions of responsibility.

When we look at their records at Western, we find they were loyal cadets who did their best in all activities at the Academy—academics, athletics, band, dramatics, "Shrapnel" staff, "Recall" staff, and military. All of our successful alumni showed as cadets that they had character traits which predicted future achievement. They were loyal, industrious, and reliable. They loved Western and supported its ideals and traditions. They were not "goofers".

We might ask ourselves, "How do we as cadets today measure up to their standards?" We have many fine boys in the corps today. They are the strength of the school. However, do we have some cadets who are immature, who mess around, who just try to get by, and who violate rules?

Western's alumni are famous, loyal, and productive. Why can't we follow their examples here? It's time for some of us to look at the records of our fine former cadets who lived upon this campus and decide to get down to business.

"Them was men in those days". Let's have real men in our corps today.

O'Hare And Tibbets Started And Ended War, Says Alumnus

One alumnus who visited Western this summer remarked, "Did you know that Western grads really started and ended the war against the Japs in the Pacific?"

He went on to explain that the first great hero of the war was Lieut. Commander Edward (Butch) O'hare, Class '32, who struck a great blow at the Japanese by shooting down six planes single-handedly in February, 1942, in a battle over the Coral Sea. He received the Congressional Medal of Honor for this exploit. Then another W. M. A. grad, Col. Paul Tibbets, Class '33, was pilot of the plane that dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima in August, 1945, thus hastening the end of the war. O'Hara and Tibbets roomed together at Western and both were cadet officers.

Butch O'Hare later was killed in a night battle off Tarawa in 1943, leading his squadron to the last. Cadets last year heard Col. Tibbets when he visited his old school give a first-hand account of the famous bombing. He was accompanied by his crew.

"Yes, they started it and finished it," said the old grad, who was a fellow cadet in the corps with O'Hare and Tibbets.

GEN. WALTER C. SHORT, FORMER INSTRUCTOR, IS PROMOTED IN SERVICE

General Walter C. Short, who taught mathematics at Western in 1901--02 and who returned to deliver the commencement address in 1936, has been assigned to the command of the Hawaii Department of the U. S. Army. He will leave on the steamer, Matsonia, on January 31.

This new command carries with it a promotion to the rank of Lieutenant General, one of the highest ranks in the Army. General Short left Western for a career in the Service, and his record has been brilliant as he advanced rapidly.

THE LATE GENERAL SHORT OF PEARL HARBOR ONCE TAUGHT HERE

Major General Walter C. Short, of Dallas, Texas, who died recently, once taught mathematics at Western. He delivered the commencement address here in 1936, and greeted many old friends.

General Short was in command of the army forces at Pearl Harbor in December, 1941, when the Japs made their sudden, destructive attack to start World War II. He and Admiral Kimmel, commander of naval forces, were accused of neglect and held partly responsible for being surprised by the enemy. Both were later tried and retired from duty.

General Short always said that he was used as "the scape-goat of Pearl Harbor", and many agreed with him. He always maintained that he carried out instructions from higher-ups.

General Short was buried in the Arlington National Cemetery. He was born at Fillmore, Ill., in 1880; graduated from the University of Illinois in 1901, and was commissioned in the army in 1902. After Pearl Harbor, he retired and became the traffic head of the Ford Motor Company in Dallas, Texas.

Gen. Paul Warfield Tibbets `33

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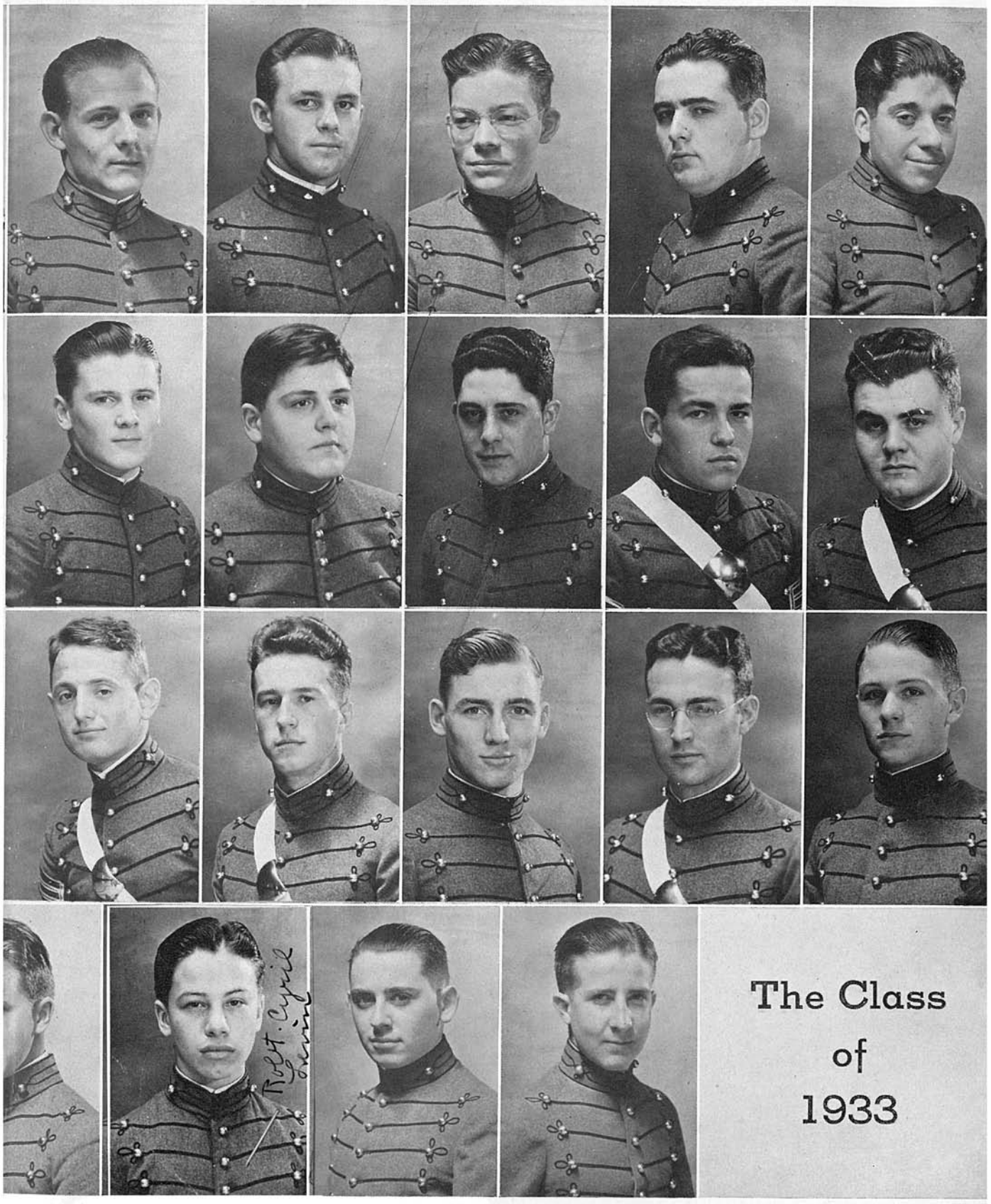

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Louis H. Weil

Thomas R. Morris
William E. Semon
Curt F. von Mueller

Thomas L. Young

Joseph A. Mrazek
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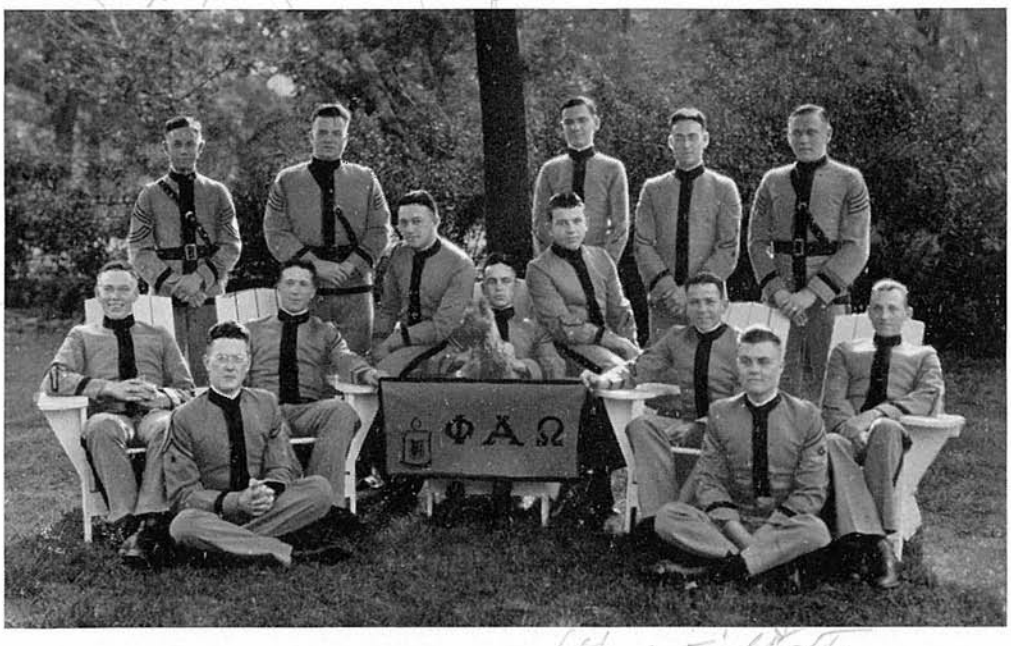

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Daniels, Jenkins Morris,	Kansas
Goddard, Henry Houts,	Illinois
Gray, Carl Raymond,	Missouri
Hackney, Earl Newell,	Missouri
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Houser, William Chadbourne,	Michigan
Johnston, Webster Decatur,	Arkansas
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Moore, Andrew Joseph,	Missouri
Randle, Foster Stookey,	Missouri
Stevinson, Samuel Bard,	Arkansas
Straube, Alfred Heckman,	Illinois
Voorhees, Edwin Merideth,	Missouri
Wadley, Archer Frank,	Arkansas

Junior Class.

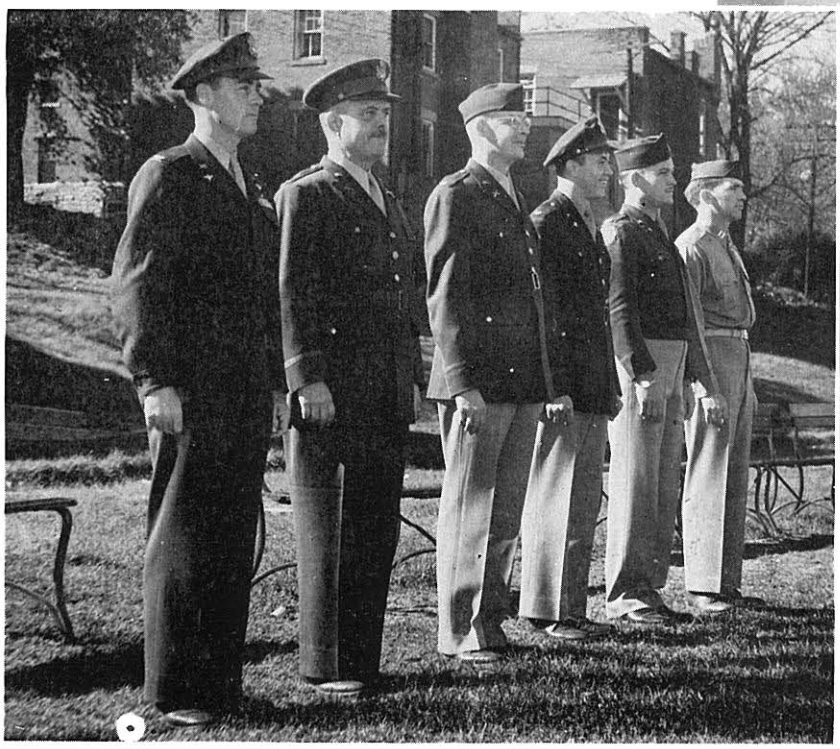
Balsley, Clyde Martin,	Missouri
Benton, Thomas Hart,	Missouri
Cassell, Robert Tilton,	Colorado
Deacon, Arthur Phillip,	Missouri
Deal, Edwin Jerry,	Missouri
Dowell, Aloysius Swan,	Arkansas
Edgar, James Douglas,	Missouri
Farish, Charles Spaulding Thomas,	Colorado

MILITARY VISITORS

COL. PAUL W. TIBBETS, CLASS '33, AND ATOMIC PLANE CREW STOP AT WESTERN

Cadets were thrilled to hear Western's own Col. Tibbets, pilot of the atomic bomb plane over Hiroshima, tell his story.

Col. Tibbets inspects his old cadet room in "A" Barrack and says "O. K."



Col. Tibbets (Pilot), Col. Jackson, Maj. Conrad, Maj. T. J. Van Kirk (Navigator), Capt. K. K. Beahan (Bombardier), and Maj. Pitt review parade of corps.

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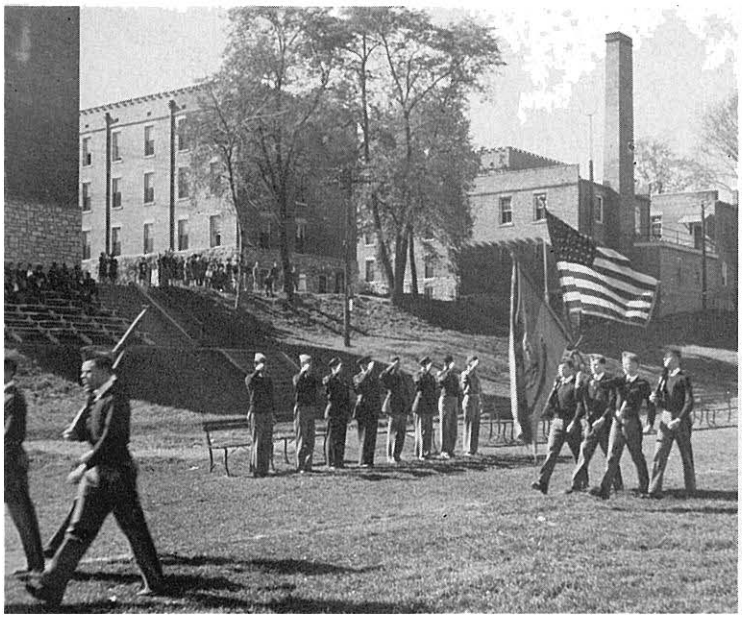
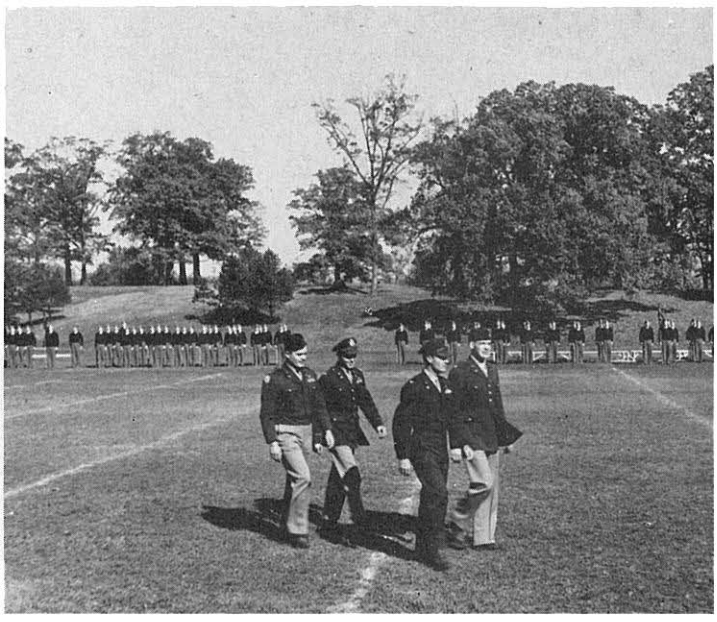
Atomic Plane Crew Salutes Colors.



Maj. Conrad accompanies famous airmen to inspect battalion.



Col. Jackson Visits With Lt. Col. Tibbets In Washington, D. C.

Graduate Of '33 Has Become One Of Great Air Heroes Of Present War

Col. R. L. Jackson did not have much to report about the meeting of the military school officials in Washington, D. C., last week. The activities and discussions of problems were such as are of interest mostly to those concerned.

Col. Jackson was full of an account of his meeting one of Western's most distinguished graduates, Lieut. Col. Paul W. Tibbets, Jr., Class '33, who had just returned from North Africa. Col. Tibbets has so acquitted himself in the Air Corps that he bids fair to become one of Western's most famous sons. He has been in fighting over Europe and over Africa.

Col. Jackson gave the following account of his exploits:

Col. Tibbets has been in command of a Squadron in England during the past six months. He piloted the first flying fortress to cross the channel for a daylight raid of any enemy occupied territory. The British were very pessimistic concerning the ability of the American ships and crews to withstand the ferocious attacks of the enemy fighter planes without fighter protection. Everything possible was done and said to prevent the experiment but the flight was undertaken and it was so successful that history was made.

Wounded in Raid

On the first three trips, the Germans were discouraged from serious attack because of their losses at maximum range. On the fourth trip they brought their finest planes and fliers, under orders to wipe out the fortresses at all costs. On this flight Col. Tibbets was wounded and, as a consequence, received the medal of the Purple Heart. The Germans attacked with extreme acrobatics and with great persistency. Fourteen of their planes were seen to crash, and a like number were shot to pieces and destroyed. Two flying fortresses were lost.

Col. Tibbets played an important part in the attack on Dieppe. The British bombers could not keep up their attacks in daylight and were forced to depend on the flying fortresses to make repeated trips. These ships were fighters as well as bombers, and are the only bombers in the world that can defend themselves in daylight raids.

Fights in Africa

Recently Col. Tibbets has led his flight group in raids based on North Africa. He is thoroughly familiar with the situation in Tunisia, and he, like the Secretary of War, cautioned a month ago that Americans should not be too much disturbed by gains the Germans made against our troops.

His success with flying fortresses has been phenominal, and he will probably be heard of in very important roles within the next few months. In addition to his greatest military honors, he has the distinguished flying cross, which was awarded to him in England. He has led 25 separate successful bombing missions. He has received the award of the AIR MEDAL four different times. His wounds, for which he received the Purple Heart, were not serious, and today he is a fine, upstanding, young American, of whom the family, his country and all who know him can well be proud.

Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

COL. PAUL TIBBETS, '33
Pilot of Atomic Bomb Plane

MAJOR SUHRE ENROLLED COL. TIBBETS AS CADET

It was called to the attention of the editor that Maj. H. E. Suhre of Western was the one who enrolled Col. Paul W. Tibbets, Jr., atomic bomb plane pilot, who visited Western with his crew recently. Maj. Suhre enrolled Col. Tibbets when he was a boy at Quincy, Ill., in the eighth grade. Maj. Suhre was at the luncheon given in honor of Col. Tibbets and his crew, along with two other former instructors, Capts. Buck and Schrantz, a fact that was overlooked by the "Shrapnel" reporter who wrote the article.

Heroes Of The Air

Col. Paul W. Tibbets, '33, who first led the task force of Flying Fortresses over the German lines in daylight, proving that the U. S. ships could bomb with pin-point accuracy and fight off attacking German planes. On his fourth flight his plane was shot up and he was badly wounded, but he brought the ship back to the home base. His work helped pave the way for the round-the-clock air raids on Germany today.

Col. Tibbets, '33, Pilots Plane Which Drops First Atomic Bomb On Japan

Is Classmate Of Distinguished Grads Who Won Fame In War

The man who piloted the Superfortress that dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, was a Western graduate, Class '33, Col. Paul W. Tibbets, Jr., whose home is now in Miami, Fla. When he was a cadet at W. M. A. from '28 to '33, his home was at Quincy, Ill.

The world has been agog with excitement over the development of the powerful atomic bomb, and it is interesting to note that a Western alumnus had the honor of launching the first attack on Japan. Experts agree that the possibilities of this bomb, whose power staggers imagination, will undoubtedly shorten the war.

Col. Tibbets in describing the effects of the bomb on Hiroshima, according to A. P. reports, stated that members of the plane crew felt the concussion though they were ten miles away when it exploded, The shock, he said, was like a "close burst of anti-aircraft fire." He continued: "The crew couldn't believe what had happened." Smoke and dust rose to a height of 40,000 feet. Sixty per cent of the city was wiped out by the single bomb, in addition to damage outside the destroyed area.

Has Great Record

Col. Jackson of Western met Col. Tibbets and his wife in Washington two years ago. At that time, Col. Tibbets said he was through in Europe but that he had the most important and secret assignment that could be given to any aviator and that some day he would either tell about it or it would come out in the papers. It now seems that he then knew about the atomic bomb and felt that he might carry out that dangerous and the Germans.

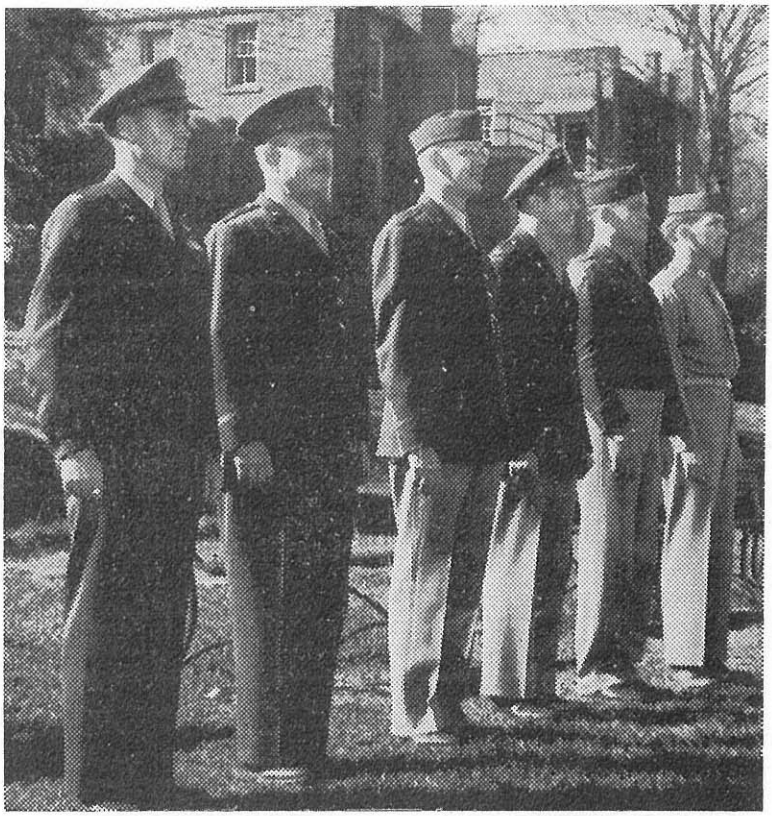
While a cadet, Col. Tibbets was a close friend of several Western grads who became famous in this war. He was a member of the rifle team of which Lt. Commander Eddie O'Hare, Class '32, was captain. As it is well known, Commander "Butch" O'Hare was the outstanding air hero of the early warfare in the Pacific when he shot down five and probably six Jap planes unaided. For that exploit he received the Congressional Medal of Honor and was acclaimed throughout the country. Eddie O'Hare later was killed in the Pacific, pioneering night flights against the Japs from a plane carrier.

Famous Grads of '32, '33, '34

Another close friend of Col. Tibbets was Col. Fred Murray Dean, '34, formerly of St. Louis, who commanded fighter groups, fought in Africa, Malta, and Sicily, and participated in the air raids at Dieppe and over France, and was awarded the British Distinguished Flying Cross, the U. S. Distinguished Flying Cross and Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Air Medal with 9 Oak Leaf Clusters.

All three of these boys at Western had a tendency to prefer individual sports, though O'Hare played football. They were greatly interested in military work and became cadet officers. They preferred marksmanship, boxing, wrestling, and riding. All were above average as students. Col. Tibbets organized and led the drum and bugle corps during his early years here. He played football but was never a star.

That was a great bunch of cadets around '32. In addition to the three mentioned above, who became three of the greatest airmen in the war, Lt. Robert Secord and Lt. C. P. Grimm were pilots who gave their lives. Capt. Roe D. Watson of the 10th Mountain Division, Lt. Thomas Young



ATOMIC BOMB CREW AT CADET REVIEW
Left to right—Col. Tibbets, Col. Jackson of W. M. A., Maj. Conrad of W. M. A., Maj. Van Kirk, Capt. Beahan, Capt. Pitt of W. M. A.

COL. TIBBETS Inspects His Former Room
Photos by Robert Graul
Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

Col. Tibbets, '33, Pilot Of Atomic Bomb Plane Visits Here With Navigator, Maj. Van Kirk, And Bombardier, Capt. Beahan

World's Most Famous Crew Sees Battalion Review And Tells Experiences

By Bruce Campbell

Western was honored by a visit from the most famous plane crew in history last Saturday—the pilot, the navigator, and the oombardier of the B-29 which dropped the first atomic bombs on Japan.

The pilot was a Western graduate, Col. Paul W. Tibbets, Jr., Class of '33. He was at the controls of the plane which bombed Hiroshima. Maj. Theodore J. Van Kirk was his navigator, and Capt. Kermit K. Beahan was the bombardier who released the second school. He then introduced Col. Tibbets as a man who had helped change the thinking of the whole world concerning warfare. He recalled Col. Tibbets's record as a cadet, stating that he won the love and respect of both faculty and cadets .

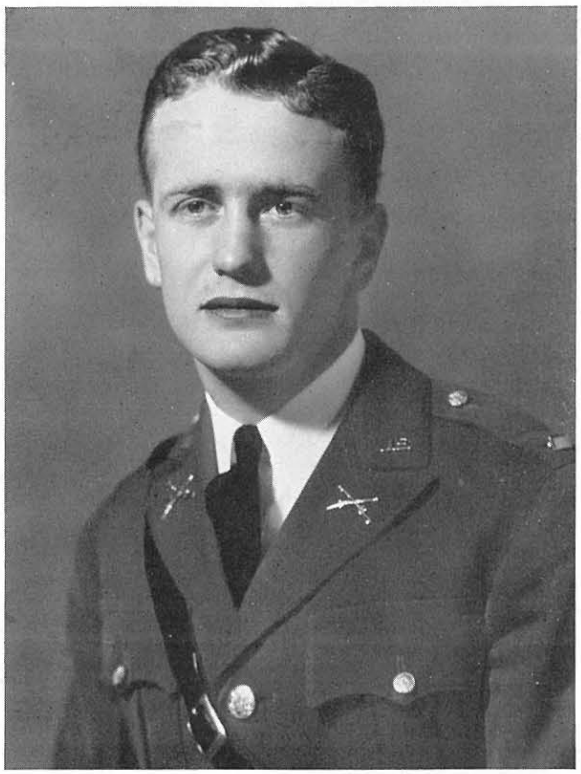
Bombing Of Hiroshima

Another roar of applause greeted Col. Tibbets when he got up to speak. He explained that he was not very good at speaking but that he would try to tell the cadets of his adventures. He had been on duty with the 8th Air Force in Europe when he was suddenly recalled to the United States, where he was thoroughly investigated by the F. B. I. and General

COL. TIBBETS VISITS HIS OLD ROOM IN "A"

Col. Tibbets visited his old room in "A" Barrack, 2nd floor, now occupied by Green, W. and Barngrove. He tested the bed and looked at the furniture. He evidently thought the room was in good order, for he turned to his fellow officers and said, "This is the way I'd like to see your rooms." They grinned and replied, "Why, Colonel, they're always like this."

We Dedicate . . .



This 1942 RECALL

TO OUR ALUMNI

IN THE ARMED FORCES

Represented Here
by

Lt. Howard Humphreys, '36, whom we all knew and liked as a tactical officer, and by
Lt. Commander Edward H. O'Hare, '32, the nation's ranking hero.

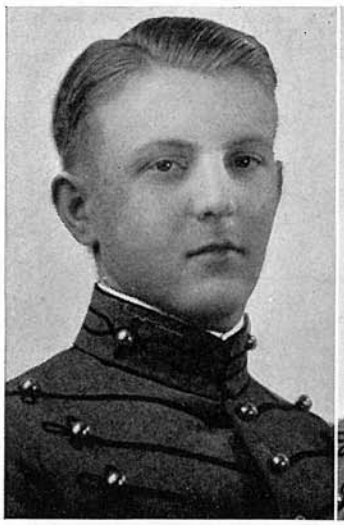
Photograph from Press Association, Inc.

The Class of 1932

ARTHUR ELKERS HOFFMAN
A Ω X
ST. LOUIS, MO.
Entered, '29
First Class Private, "B" Co., '30, '31
Corporal, "C" Co., '31, '32
"C" Basketball, '29, '30, '31, '32
"A" Tennis, '30, '31
Prep Tennis, '31, '32
Shrapnel, '29, '30, '31, '32
Editor Shrapnel, '31, '32
Dramatic Club, '29, '30, '31
Upper Ten, '30, '31, '32
Honor Roll, '32

CHARLES B. NANCARROW
Δ Σ
Entered, '30
Corporal, '32
"C" Football, '31
"C" Basketball, '31

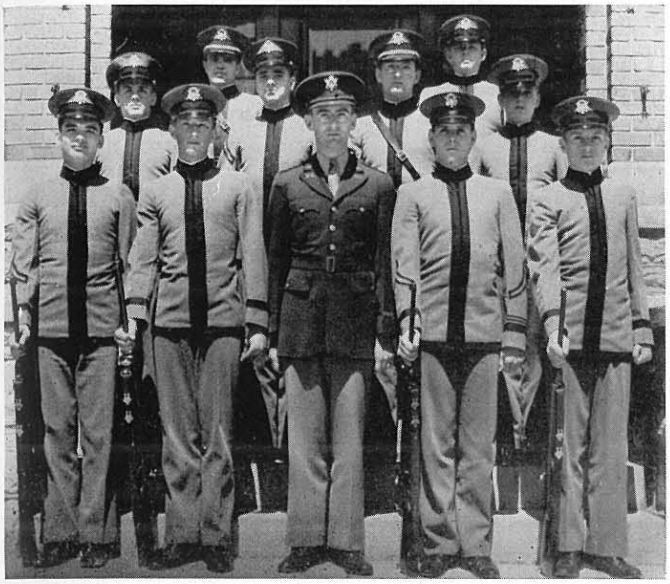
EDWARD HENRY O'HARE
Φ Δ
Entered, '27
Honor Roll, '27, '28, '29, '30
Corporal, '30
Sergeant, '31
Lieutenant, '32
"A" Football, '30, '31
Rifle Team, '31, '32
Pistol Club, '31
Dramatic Club, '32



WILLIAM CARL PAULSON
EL DORADO, KAN.
Entered, '30
Honor Roll, '30, '31, '32
First Class Private, '30
Sergeant, '31
"B" Football, '30
"B" Basketball, '30, '31
"A" Football, '31
"A" Basketball, '31, '32
Track, '32
Shrapnel Staff

FREDERICK JAMES PORT, JR.
Φ Δ, A Δ
KINCAID, ILL.
Entered, '28
Upper Ten, '29, '30, '31, '32
Honor Roll, '29, '30, '31, '32
Corporal, '30
Sergeant, '31
Captain, '32
"A" Football, '31, '32
All-Star "A" Football
Tennis, '31, '32
Bowling, '30, '31

GEORGE M. ROBERTSON
Δ Σ
Entered, '30
Swimming, '32
Track, '32
"A" Football, '31
Rifle Team, '32
Boxing, '31, '32
Gun Club, '31



Our Target Riddlers—the Rifle Team. First Row: Regan, Berg, Lt. Gary, coach, Robinson, Fleming. Second Row: Withers, Weis, Pearce, Croghan. Third Row: Peara, Gaddis.

Lieutenant Roth was ordered to report to Camp Lewis, Washington, for active duty, a few days later. His loss was keenly felt. As a cadet last year, he had been outstanding. This year he put the military freshmen through their paces.

The school was caught in the greatest wave of excitement since war was declared, during the next week. Lieutenant Edward O'Hare, of the U.S. Navy and a graduate of Western, became a national hero for shooting down six Jap planes in one battle. To celebrate the event, Colonel Jackson set aside March 22nd as O'Hare Day and invited the aviator's mother, Mrs. Selma O'Hare, to come as guest of honor.

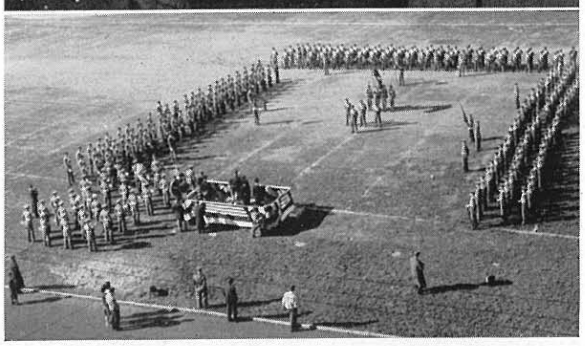
In the meantime things were moving fast. On the 10th Colonel Jackson went to Washington for the annual meeting of the Association of Military Schools and Colleges. The association discussed new educational methods and planned new military maneuvers to be taken by all schools in the Association.

On the 14th, a prominent Chicago newspaper aroused a great deal of cadet interest by devoting an entire page to a picture account of the recently-completed guard duty.

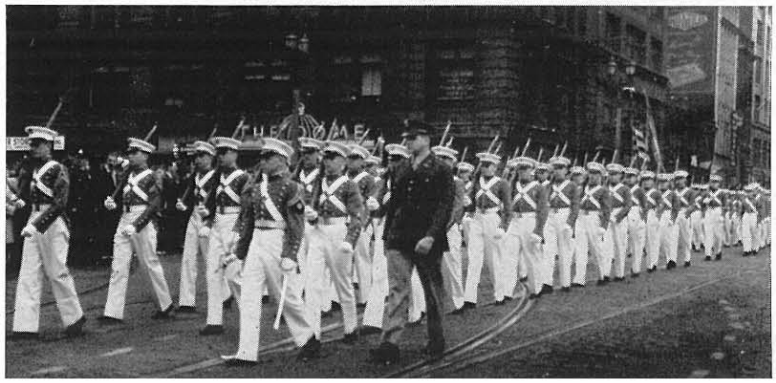
The corps held a short but very effective and impressive ceremony at the flagpole on March 19th, in honor of Lieutenant Rulkoetter, the first Western graduate killed in line of duty in World War II. In his honor the flag was flown at half mast for three days. This was one of the many things that made us realize that a war was going on outside our compact world.

Then came the 22nd of March, which came and passed like any other important day—fast! Mrs. O'Hare arrived. She was interviewed for the school publication by a committee of cadets and shown the larger-than-life-size portrait of her son in the school library. Then a review was held in her honor on the lower field. As soon as the corps had passed in review, the companies swung around and formed

Withers and Heiser show Mrs. O'Hare the huge portrait of her hero son.



O'Hare Day. The corps pays tribute to Western's most famous son, Lt. Eddie O'Hare.



The Corps parades in St. Louis, in honor of the return to his home city of the naval ace, Lt. Commander O'Hare.

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LT. COMDR. EDWARD HENRY [BUTCH] O'HARE

In whose honor O'Hare field, Chicago's new international airport, will be dedicated today. (Story on Page 5.) This Tribune Color Studio portrait was made on April 24, 1942, shortly after O'Hare had received the congressional medal of honor. The background was painted by Dale Maxey.

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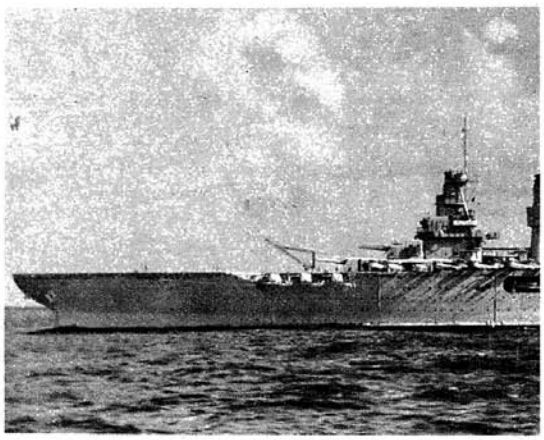
(Official U. S. Navy photo)

Butch O'Hare, then a lieutenant, and Lt. Comdr. J. S. Thach, leader of the squadron in which O'Hare flew.



The Lexington, on which O'Hare was stationed when he sho

THE HEROISM OF *Butch*

• Chicago today honors the memory of Edward Henry [Butch] O'Hare, one of the nation's great heroes, in ceremonies formally dedicating O'Hare field, Chicago International airport, near Park Ridge. In this, and the succeeding articles, the story of Butch O'Hare's exploits is told in complete detail for the first time.

By LLOYD WENDT

ON the morning of Feb. 20, 1942, the aircraft carrier Lexington, deep in enemy territory, was running southwest thru equatorial waters toward the green bluffs of New Ireland, in the Bismarck archipelago.

Spread about the Lex was a screen of four heavy cruisers and ten destroyers, the task force assembled by Vice Adm. Wilson Brown for a daring raid on Japan's new South Pacific empire. The objective was Rabaul, enemy base on New Britain Island, just under the protecting arm of New Ireland.

The mission admittedly was an audacious one, but a bold strike was needed. Japan, thrusting south after the Pearl Harbor attack, had enveloped Indonesia with amazing swiftness. The beleaguered troops in the Philippines seemed doomed. Singapore had been isolated. Allied forces in the Java sea had been trapped and sunk. Australia feared invasion. To Japanese assertions that the American navy had been destroyed there had been no effective reply.

American morale was at its war time low that February morning as the Lex plowed southward toward Rabaul. Aboard the carrier itself there was worry. The Jap carriers, Akagi, Kaga, Zuikaku, and Shokaku, attended by battleships and cruisers, were known to be in South Pacific waters. The enemy had brought aviation and ships to Rabaul. His island fortresses, including the powerful base at Truk, lay to the north and east.

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In the Lexington ready rooms, where the young airmen gathered, there was heavy concentration on the inadequate charts of the Bismarck archipelago region. Not much was known of the territory they were to attack, beyond the fact that New Britain's volcanic peaks, the Mother and her North and South Daughters, would guide them to Simpson harbor, laden with enemy ships and lined with new enemy air fields.

Lt. Comdr. John S. [Jimmy] Thach, of Fordyce, Ark., was outlining the situation to the men of Fighter Squadron 3. Thach, lean and long and a veteran pilot, spoke rapidly, reflecting some of the tenseness evident in almost every man of the squadron.

"We'll launch the strikes here," he said, indicating a point on the chart . . . about 125 miles from Rabaul. Unless we get complete surprise it means we'll have to take on everything they've got. They'll have spotters on New Ireland, so the chances of complete surprise aren't good.

"Our first job is to take care of any snoopers that may show up during the next ten or twelve hours. We don't want them sending any fix back to Rabaul.

"We'll fly a combat air patrol in divisions of six," Thach continued. "I'll lead off. That's all, men, good hunting!"

Thach started aft, adjusting his flying gear, the five men he had selected trailing him. He was joined by a sixth, a tall, husky, gray-eyed airman.

"Look Jimmy," the newcomer began, "how's about changing your mind?"

Thach shook his head. "You come up next, Butch," he said. "And stay over the ship. Those are orders."

He grinned. There was nothing he'd like better than to have Edward Henry [Butch] O'Hare on his wing. O'Hare was one of the best shots and best pilots in the navy. He and Butch had practiced the "Thach Weave," special fighter tactics invented by Jimmy, until they could do it in their sleep. But he needed a pilot of O'Hare's caliber in reserve.

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Thach was worried as he crossed the flight deck toward the point just aft the bridge where the deck crews were parking the Wildcat fighters. Not a man of his squadron had any experience in battle. If the intelligence reports could be true, the enemy fighters,—Mitsubishi 00—outclassed the Wildcat. Jimmy had developed his "Weave" after hearing those reports, but he didn't know whether the maneuver would work.

To hit Rabaul, they would have to meet, sooner or later, the best of Japan's first line fighters, all of them battle wise from engagements in the Philippines, Malaya, or the Java sea. Those Jap airmen were tough,—the reports on their Zeros were incredible. Even their Bettys, big, twin-engine bombers, were fast and heavily armed. Let one Betty get thru, and it might be curtains for the Lexington.

The tropical dawn was flaring across the Pacific as Thach and his squadron mates prepared to launch for the early morning patrol. Then, down in combat intelligence center, the radar screen picked up a bogey, an unidentified aircraft approaching, of all places, from the northeast! It could only be an enemy plane, and it must be a long-range scout, launched in darkness from a land base.

Whatever the snooper might be, it needed to be destroyed before sighting the American task force and reporting back to its base.

Thach took off, E. R. [Doc] Sellstrom, his wingman, covering him. He headed for a black rain cloud to the northeast to gain cover for a surprise attack. In the midst of the squall, he slanted toward the sea.

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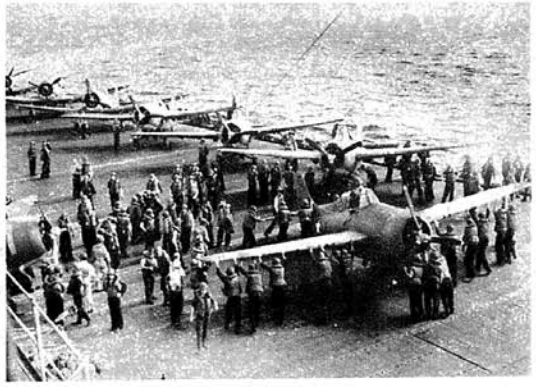
"Suddenly the cloud opened, right in the center," Thach recalls. "It was like looking down into an enormous well. There, right under me, was a Mavis, a four-engine patrol bomber bigger than a Pan-American Clipper. One of the gunners was looking up, at me. I don't know which one of us was most surprised. In a second we were both back in the cloud. It hardly seemed possible that I actually had seen the Jap."

Thach called the Lexington on his radio, then circled the



(Wide World photo)

Grumman Wildcats of the type O'Hare flew, on the deck of a carrier.

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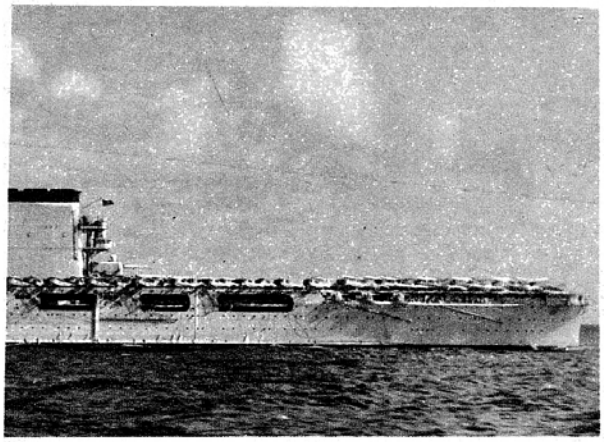

down five Japanese planes in one day. (Official U. S. Navy photo)

O'Hare

(Wide World photo)
O'Hare in his working clothes during the period when he was training a squadron at an advanced Pacific base.

cloud, with Doc on his wing. He saw the Jap plane sneaking out, darted back into the squall for cover. He counted ten as he climbed, then turned.

As they sped into clear air again, Thach and Doc began the criss-cross of the "Thach Weave." There were two of them, with eight 50-caliber guns, but the big enemy bomber carried a whole arsenal, including 20 mm. cannon. It was a time for perfect tactics.

On the first pass, the enemy out-ranged them, and Doc got a fuselage full of bullet holes.

"Smoothness is everything," Thach kept thinking as he maneuvered for the next pass, "smoothness is everything." He came in fast, turning sharply. His tracers seemed to bore into the big engines. There was a flash of flame that leaped across the Mavis.

"Then his whole upper wing was afire and he nosed over," Thach recalls. "His jettisoned bombs crashed into the water with a big explosion. The Mavis followed, and there was a big column of smoke on the horizon."

The action, obscured by clouds, occurred too far from the Lex for the crewmen to witness it, but in CIC the radiomen heard it. Comdr. Thach shouted into his microphone: "I got him! I got him!" It was the first kill of the war for the Lexington.

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Meanwhile, other fighters in the patrol discovered and attacked a second scout, also a big flying boat, and shot it down in flames. Butch O'Hare didn't get into the action. He remained over the Lex, as ordered.

The score was two enemy flying boats, carrying crews of 12 men each, with only some bullet holes in the Wildcats as the price of victory. But the Nip had sent out radio messages to Rabaul. The chance for surprise was over. The Lex, still speeding southward, got set for the anticipated new attacks.

Down in the wardroom, as they ate lunch, Thach and the men of his division, newly tested in battle, answered innumerable questions about the fight. The excitement rose high. Men freely admitted they were scared stiff when they saw the enemy.

One of them turned to Butch O'Hare.

"I wish I had your nerves, Butch," he said. "I wish I could calm down and take it easy."

Butch grinned. "I'm just as high as you are," he said. "Maybe I don't show it."

O'Hare wasn't kidding anybody. Whatever the emergency, he could take it with complete aplomb. Not for nothing did they call him Nero O'Hare back at Western Military academy in Alton, Ill.

His calmness was comforting. It wasn't that Butch didn't recognize danger when he saw it, he was among the most careful flyers in the squadron. But he possessed a supreme, modest self-confidence. His coördination was almost perfect. His carrier approach, for instance, was something every man on ship could recognize as the O'Hare pattern.

Butch had a way of taking it easy and doing the right thing at the right time.

It was Butch's luck that he was not in the air when the next action began to develop later that morning. Shortly after 11 o'clock the radar picked up more enemy planes, this time approaching from the south. They doubtlessly were out of Rabaul.

The new Jap visitors were detected just as Lt. Comdr. Thach had again led his division into the air to relieve the previous combat patrol, which was low on gas. There was no time now to bring in the planes being relieved. They were ordered to stand by to aid Thach and his men if necessary, and provided, of course, their gas supply held out.

Under command of Capt. Fred Sherman, veteran airman and skipper of the Lex, the carrier resumed its zigzag course. O'Hare and his division waited beside their parked planes, ready for a quick takeoff at the first opportunity.

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The first sight of the enemy was a formation of twin-engine bombers looking much like the American B-26. They were Japs, however, and Thach and his division went after the nine planes.

Before the enemy formations could reach the bomb-release point, five of the nine had been shot down. Then the AA fire from the destroyers, the cruisers, and the Lex opened up.

On came the Japs, threading the smoke bursts in the sky. The Lex continued to twist in evasive action, her guns pounding. Another bomber went down, two more broke out of formation to escape the flak and fighters swarmed upon them. The fourth, one wing aflame, headed straight for the stern of the Lex.

"Right full rudder!" Capt. Sherman ordered.

The Lex swung round. The screaming enemy plane, trailing smoke and flame, slanted thru the sky, crashing into the ocean fifty yards astern of the Lex.

Capt. Sherman, glancing the length of his ship, failed to see his signal officer and crew where they had been awaiting their next opportunity to launch.

"Call the landing group and see if they're all right," he ordered.

The reply came back quickly.

"Okay sir. We took shelter under the deck. We want to thank the captain for that last turn!"

Only one Jap bomber escaped and Thach and his division were pursuing it as the Lex swung into the wind to launch the last of its reserve fighters and to take aboard the combat patrol that had been waiting for a chance to land.

O'Hare and M. W. [Duff] Dufilho, his wingman, went up before it became necessary to halt the launchings to permit the desperate patrol upstairs to land, since any further delay would have forced them into the sea for lack of fuel.

Then, from CIC came a message to frighten the coolest commander afloat—more planes, many of them, approaching from the north.

They were in sight, in fact, at almost the moment they were detected by the radar. They were flying low, a circumstance

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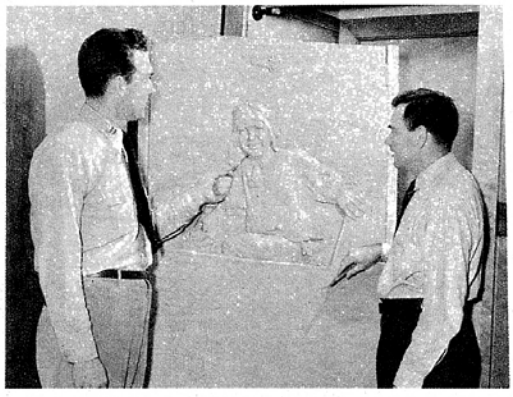

(Official U. S. Navy photo)
Plaque by George Adams Dietrich, right, which will be unveiled today. Lt George Rogers, left, was O'Hare's wingman.

"WHAT WOULD YOU SUGGEST FOR THE MOTHER OF A BOY WHO HAS THREE F's ON HIS REPORT CARD, AND A BLACK EYE AND TORN TROUSERS?"

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Adm. (Then Capt.) Frederick C. Sherman

O'HARE

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that helped them to avoid detection.

And now they saw the American fleet, swinging frantically into evasive tactics, with only two lone fighter planes above for protection.

Nine more twin-engine bombers, in a huge V formation, composed of smaller Vs of three planes each! They were heavily armed Bettys, each of which could bring three guns to bear to any part of the compass. In all, they had a total of 63 guns and 20 mm. cannon.

Sixty three guns against O'Hare and his wingman possessing four .50 caliber machine guns each!

Twelve miles out, before the Japs were within range of the anti-aircraft guns of the fleet, O'Hare and his wingman climbed for the attack.

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This was the time for the famed O'Hare coolness. If but one enemy got thru to the Lex it would be a major disaster. To shoot down one or two Bettys, a formidable day's work for any airman, would not be enough. The problem was fantastically difficult. Not only were the odds overwhelming, but there existed, in addition, the simple fact that no fighter plane in any navy carried sufficient ammunition to shoot down more than a couple big bombers unless the gunner should be a sharp-shooting genius.

That problem was in O'Hare's mind as he passed high over the enemy and tried a quick, short burst to be sure his guns were working

They were, but there was no such fire from his wingman. O'Hare knew instantly what was wrong. Dufihlo's guns had jammed. It was one of those terrible, incredible things every ordnance man, pilot, and gun designer fought against, but it had happened, probably on a fast turn.

Now Butch O'Hare was alone between nine Japanese twin-engine bombers and the Lexington.

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Aboard the carrier, the crews at their guns watched in unbelieving horror. One solitary fighter against an entire formation of Bettys! Four minutes of time before they would be within bomb release range. No man in his senses expected either the little Wildcat or the Lex AA to stop them all. It couldn't be done. But the men of the Lex were determined to go down fighting.

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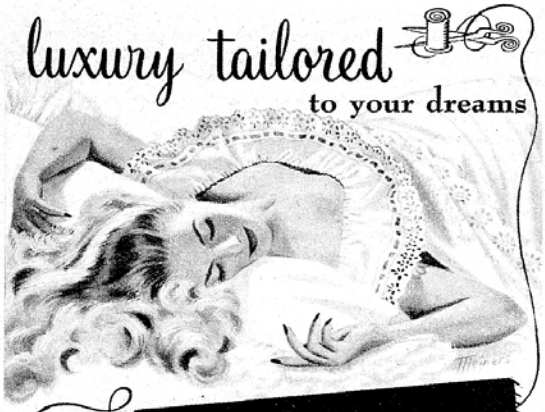

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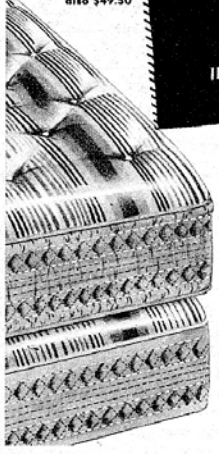

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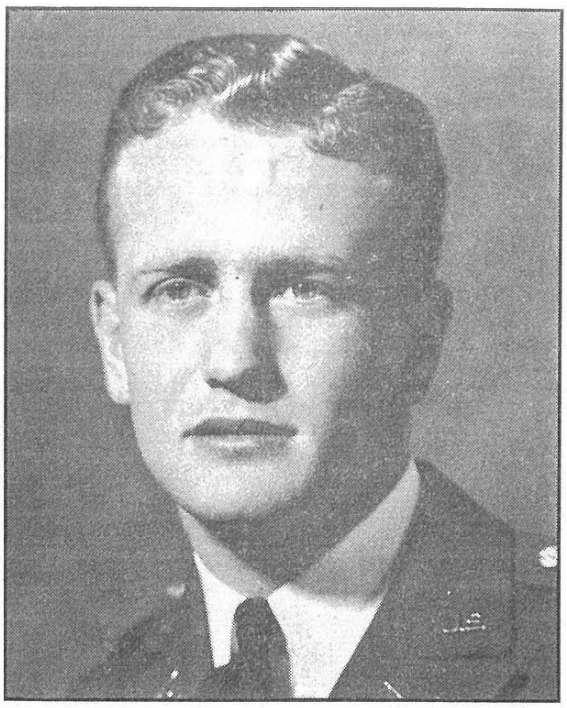

LIEUT. HOWARD HUMPHREYS, '36,
With Troops On Bataan Peninsula

LIEUT. EDWARD H. O'HARE, '32,
Hero Of Pacific Naval Air Battle

Lt. Humphreys, '36, And Lt. O'Hare, '32, In Thick Of Fight

They Are Typical Of Many Old Boys Now Serving On Battle Front

W. M. A. grads are acquitting themselves with honor everywhere with the U. S. forces. Many are in the thick of the fighting. It is not possible to publish photographs of all of them, but two have been selected as typical.

Lieut. Howard Humphreys, whose home was in Bloomington, Ill., graduated in 1936. He is well known to many cadets, for he was on the tactical staff at Western until last spring. A more friendly and well-liked officer never was connected with the school.

Holding a reserve commission in the Infantry, he was called to active duty. It didn't take long for him to be in the thick of the fighting. He was sent to Ft. McKinley in the Philippines and placed in charge of native troops. He has been a part of that brave band with General MacArthur, whose resistance to the Japs has won the admiration of the world. Even now he is on the Bataan peninsula, still doing the job.

"Humpy" was an outstanding cadet. His many honors can merely be listed: cadet officer, "Shrapnel" editor, diver

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Lt. Edw. O'Hare, W.M.A.'32, Bags Six Jap Bombers In Air Battle

As we were ready to go to press, radio flashed the news that Lt. Edward H. O'Hare, Western '32, had become one of the nation's number one heroes of the present war by bringing down single-handedly six Jap bombers in a battle near the Gilbert Islands. The story is now history. Eighteen Japanese bombers attempted to destroy a U. S. fleet, including an aircraft carrier. Sixteen of the planes were shot down. No U. S. ship was damaged and only two planes lost. Lieut. O'Hare, attached to the aircraft carrier, personally accounted for six bombers, thus becoming an "ace" in one afternoon. He escaped injury.

Lieut. Eddie O'Hare was a cadet at Western for five years, from '27 to '32. His record shows a steady climb in honors. He graduated as a Lieutenant, and then went on to finish at Annapolis. At W. M. A. he was an honor student, a member of the pistol and rifle club, and a football player for two years. Many remember the dark-haired Irish cadet.

Lieut. O'Hare's mother still lives at 3711 Bates Ave., St. Louis. He married Miss Rita Wooster of that city last September. He sailed from the U. S. on December 8, and he certainly saw quick action.

Newspapers called the Academy frequently Tuesday night for Lieut. O'Hare's record. Col. Jackson announced the news of his heroic feat to cadets in study hall, who cheered enthusiastically. Study hall was cut short by Major Persing. "Any time an old grad brings down six Jap bombers, we will celebrate," said the Major.

Wires Are Kept Hot As Inquiries About Lt. O'Hare Come In

Papers And Radio Stations Seek Information About His Cadet Days

Since Lieut. Edward H. O'Hare, W. M. A. '32, became one of the nation's great heroes last week by personally bagging six Jap bombers in a fight in the Pacific, many inquiries have been received at Western concerning his cadet days. Newspapers, radio stations, and feature writers have called up for information and photographs. One long distance call came from New York City.

Papers and radio commentators agree that his feat is without parellel in U. S. aviation. St. Louis papers gave an account of his life at Western, and radio stations also broadcast the story of his career.

Many faculty officers recall the five years that Eddie O'Hare spent at Western from '27 to '32. They all agree that he was popular and efficient, but rather quiet and reserved. He was tall, dark-haired, and handsome. He lived in St. Louis when he enrolled at Western in the 8th grade.

An Expert Shot

At W. M. A. Lieut. O'Hare had a wide range of interests. He took part in dramatic productions and played two years of varsity football. He graduated in the upper tenth of his class in grades and as a Lieutenant in the battalion.

Major Moore said that if anything at Western forecast O'Hare's future career in aviation, it was his interest in marksmanship. As a cadet he was an expert shot on both the pistol and rifle teams. He was one of the best trap-shooters in school. Major Moore stated that today trapshooting is considered excellent training for an air corps marksman, for it teaches him to take the proper lead in aiming at a

CADETS DESIRE A MEMORIAL FOR LT. "BUTCH" O'HARE, '32

By Griffith

A memorial is being planned for Lieut. E. H. "Butch" O'Hare, Class '32, famous hero and Navy flier of World War II. He died in that war trying to rout Japanese bombers away from American aircraft carriers.

Some cadets presented a petition to the corps, and over 250 cadets signed it and agreed that a memorial should be planned. The idea is to place a plaque in the Administration Building and a smaller plaque in the barracks room which he occupied as a Senior. The Naval Academy has a plaque in his room at Annapolis.

Contributions have not been asked for yet, but any help or advice from the men who knew him will be appreciated.

"Butch" O'Hare, '32, Goes Down Fighting In Pacific Battle

Heroic Naval Airman Protects Fleet In Night Struggle Over Ocean

Lieutenant Commander Edward H. "Butch" O'Hare, Class '32, has gone down fighting, according to dispatches from the South Pacific. The first great ace of this war, a national hero who on February 20, 1942, shot down alone five Jap planes and damaged another, went to his death as he led his squadron in beating off thirty or forty Japanese planes which were trying to attack his aircraft carrier and task force.

Rear Admiral Arthur W. Radford, commander of the force, said, "Butch, with his accompanying planes, saved my formation from certain torpedo hits. I am recommending him for a second Congressional Medal of Honor." O'Hare received his first Congressional Medal from President Roosevelt himself on April 21, 1942, who characterized his original exploit in the Coral Sea as "one of the most daring, if not the most daring, single action in the history of combat aviation." The young officer's wife placed the medal around his neck.

"Butch" Led The Fight

"Butch's" last flight, according to the papers, took place at night off Tarawa in the Gilbert Islands. When the Japanese planes were reported as approaching the task force, Commander O'Hare insisted on leading his squadron because of the peril of night air defense. It was the first time in naval action that carriers had launched their aircraft at night.

"Butch" was first off the deck. Lt. Commander John L. Phillips flew a plane on one side of him and Ensign Warren A. Skon on the other. Commander O'Hare's thoughts were for the safety of his men, for about the last order he gave was to request Commander Phill[illegible]

LIEUT. COMMANDER EDWARD H. O'HARE

Western joins the nation this week in mourning the loss of a heroic grad, Lieut. Commander Edward H. "Butch" O'Hare, who was reported missing after a valiant fight against the Japs, protecting his carrier and fleet from a night attack.

O'Hare went down fighting. To the last, he showed that thoughtfulness for his men, that daring skill, and gallant courage which first won the plaudits and gratitude of the nation almost two years ago over the Coral Sea.

The brave Irishman, who spent five years as a cadet on the Western campus, was not the kind to rest on his laurels. He was recalled to this country to receive congratulations, honors, and promotion from the President himself. He spent a few wonderful weeks with his mother and with his young wife. He accepted the praise heaped upon him, modestly, almost impatiently. "Butch" was eager to rejoin his comrades, the eagles of the sky, as they swept over the Pacific, protecting the U. S. forces and communications from the Yellow Devils.

He was a man of action, and in a glorious action he went to his death. He soared aloft at the head of his squadron in the darkness of a Pacific night, because he felt that it was his duty to lead such a dangerous mission. "Butch" would have no regrets. He feared neither death nor the Japs. He had a gallant disregard for his own safety. As brilliant as his career was,

"Nothing in his life
Became him like the leaving it; he died
As one that had been studied in his death
To throw away the dearest thing he owned,
As 'twere a careless trifle."

Lieut. Commander Edward H. O'Hare is enshrined in our hearts as the ideal hero. He has left us an example of courage, patriotism, and self-sacrifice that will be an eternal inspiration.

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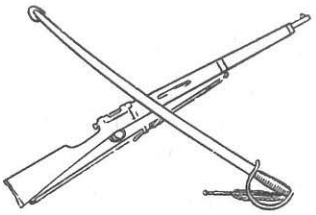
OUR WESTERN FLASHES



HOWARD HUMPHREYS

Here we see "Hump" Humphreys, an athlete in more ways than one. He has played Prep football as center for three years. His position on the baseball team is behind the bat. His greatest fame has come through his ability as a diver. This spring he placed second in the Prep diving contest in the National Interscholastics at Philadelphia.

CHARLES GEORGE HENDERSON

George Henderson entered Western in the eighth grade. He immediately gave evidence of being a great athlete by being active in four sports, as he was again in 1932. He was on both the Shrapnel staff and the Glee Club. As a sophomore, Henderson was a four-letter man. He was again on the Shrapnel staff, and became a P. F. C. In his junior year, George was the outstanding athlete, holding several records. The Shrapnel staff, military work, and earning his academic "A" also occupied his attention.

A senior this year, George was the outstanding athlete. In addition, he was chairman of the Senior Dance Committee, editor of the Shrapnel, president of the Quill and Scroll Society at Western, and a member of the Recall staff. He was the Cadet Captain of "B" Company and won the Best Drilled Company medal. He was later appointed Cadet Major, which is the high military rank.

He intends to enter Rice Institute next year, and in '36 he will again become Cadet Henderson at West Point.

ROBERT EMMETT COSTELLO

Robert Costello entered Western in his sophomore year, 1932. During his first year, he played "C" basketball and also was a member of the Glee Club. 1933 saw "Cos" a junior. He was on the Junior Dance Committee and again in the Glee Club.

In sports, Bob had many tough breaks. He went out for 'B" football and was playing as a regular, when he broke his wrist. This healed in time for him to come out for "B" basketball.

In military rank, Bob began as a P. F. C., but was later raised to color corporal. This year "Cos" has been a corporal.

Bob was on the Senior Dance Committee and in the Glee Club this year. During the winter, he was out for the soccer team and earned his letter. He was in the senior play.

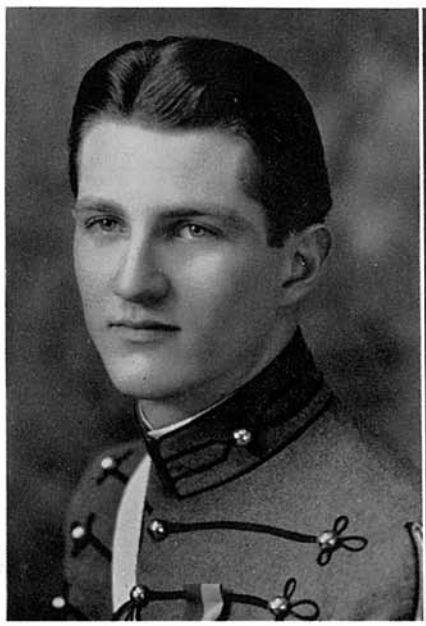
Bob will attend St. Louis University to study law.

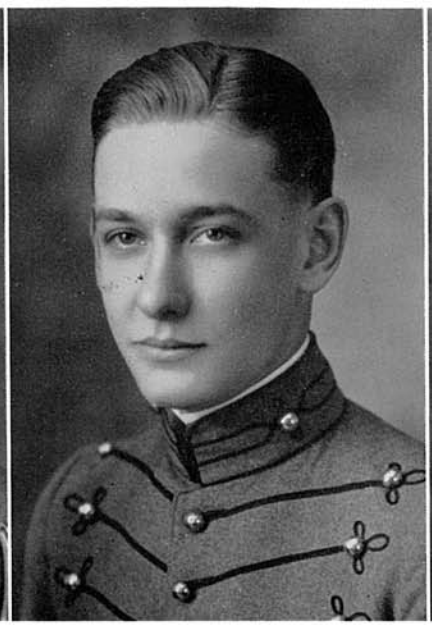
WILLIAM DURBOROW STEVENSON

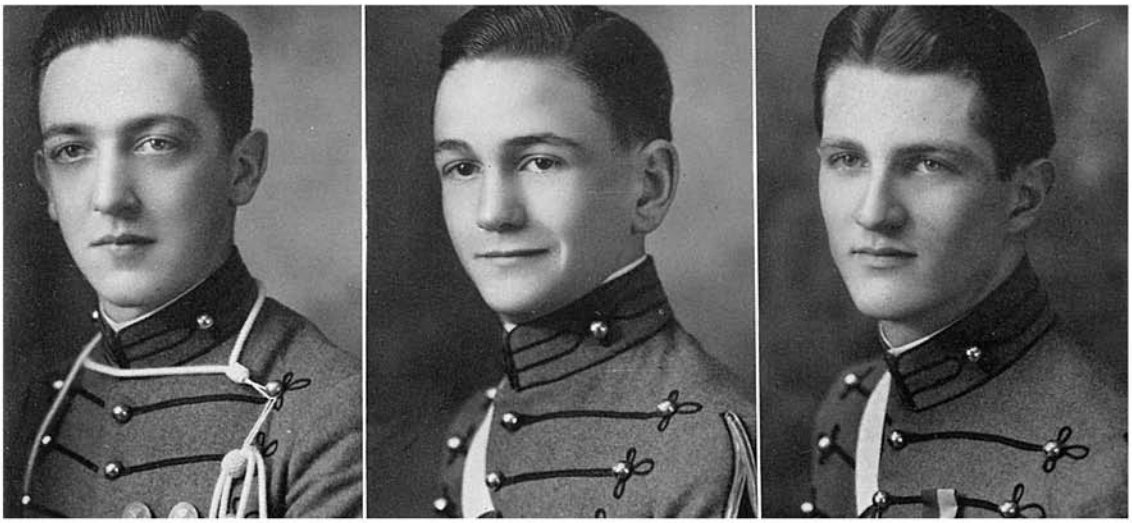
It was in September, 1934, that Bill Stevenson entered Western. He became an active member of the musical organizations.

"Stevie" was a darn good, in fact our best, trombone player. He shone in the orchestra and band where, incidentally, he plays the more difficult baritone parts. Stevie was also one of the key members of the bugle band.

Steve has formed many friendships at Western and is known as an all-around good fellow. Steve is one of the famous members of the musical trio from LaSalle, which consists of Stevenson, Bennett, and Sharpe.







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VALEDICTORIAN

Leonard B. Drell has been selected by the faculty as the Number One man of our class in academic work. Leonard has not only maintained the highest grades in senior year, but he has completed the four-year course in three and one-half years. During junior year he carried five studies and led his class in five of the six grade periods. The studies that he is carrying are generally considered the most difficult taught at Western. It is significant to note that he is the youngest member of our class. We predict a brilliant future for him at Yale.

SALUTATORIAN

Robert Baumgartner has won the second highest academic honors in our class. He has been a consistent high ranking student throughout his four years at Western. Bob is a conscientious worker and has advanced steadily in his class standing. He is considered by faculty and cadets to be a thorough and reliable worker. In paying tribute to these two outstanding students it is only fair to mention the cadets who gave them such strong competition. Rosenblatt was a fraction of a point behind during his four years and actually ahead in senior year. McCroskey and Snyder were kept out of honors only by the responsibility of cadet captaincies. Benavides learned to speak English in two years and finished one point behind the leaders.

HONOR GRADUATE

George Henderson well deserves the appointment as Honor Graduate. His accomplishments are too numerous to mention here, but suffice it to say that he has been active and successful in every department of cadet life at Western. His appointment as Cadet Major shows his military success. He has always ranked in the highest one-third of his class in academic grades. He is president of our class and he is the best all-around athlete developed here in many years. His editorship of the Shrapnel, his membership on the Dance Committee, and his work with the Glee Club indicate his social activities. The appointment as First Alternate goes to Cadet Captain Ed Snyder, an outstanding scholar and a splendid athlete. The position of Second Alternate is awarded to Cadet Captain Robert McCroskey, a close competitor in all and a winner in many worthwhile activities.

the Peorites to such an extent that the affair was called a no-contest. Peoria had a fine team and went on to win the Big Twelve championship.

For the first time in the forty years of its existence, The National Interscholastic Swimming Meet at Philadelphia had representatives from the Mississippi Valley. They were Howard Humphreys and Ralph Jackson. The boys got a nice send-off from the school and the St. Louis papers, and the Globe-Democrat ran their pictures. They felt themselves somewhat outclassed in the prep school division, which includes one to three years beyond high school, but they turned in some fine performances. Humphreys qualified fourth in the dives and took sixth place, and Jackson placed seventh in the 220-yard free style.

The outstanding performances of the year were Ralph Jackson's 220 at Culver, in which he broke the Culver pool record for widths, swimming the distance in 2:29.7; the record-breaking feat of the 160-yard relay team, composed of Humphreys, Brown, Jackson and Johnston, with a time of 1:23; the fine fighting spirit and record-breaking effort of Carl Dischinger, 100-yard back stroke, 1:14.1; and the outstanding performance of Howard Humphreys.

Humphreys was without doubt the best diver in the middle west. He lost but one close decision to Smith of Wyandotte. He twice defeated the St. Louis champion by a large margin. He twice defeated the Illinois state champion. He qualified fourth and finished sixth in the prep school division of the National Interscholastic Swimming Meet at Philadelphia, which entitles him to all-American ranking. It should be noted here that between the second and sixth places in this national diving contest there was only a couple points difference, the position being rated by hundredths of a point. Humphreys also won third in the Open Ozark A. A. U. 10-foot board championships.

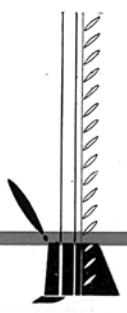
Special mention should be made here of three seniors, Ray Johnston, William Brown and Robert Hartkopf. These men contributed greatly to the success of the team, coming through in crucial meets with winning times. Ray Johnston was our number one sprint man. Bill Brown generally handled the 40-yard dash. Bob Hartkopf's work in the 220 showed a fine drop in time toward the end of the season. Western will certainly miss these men next year.

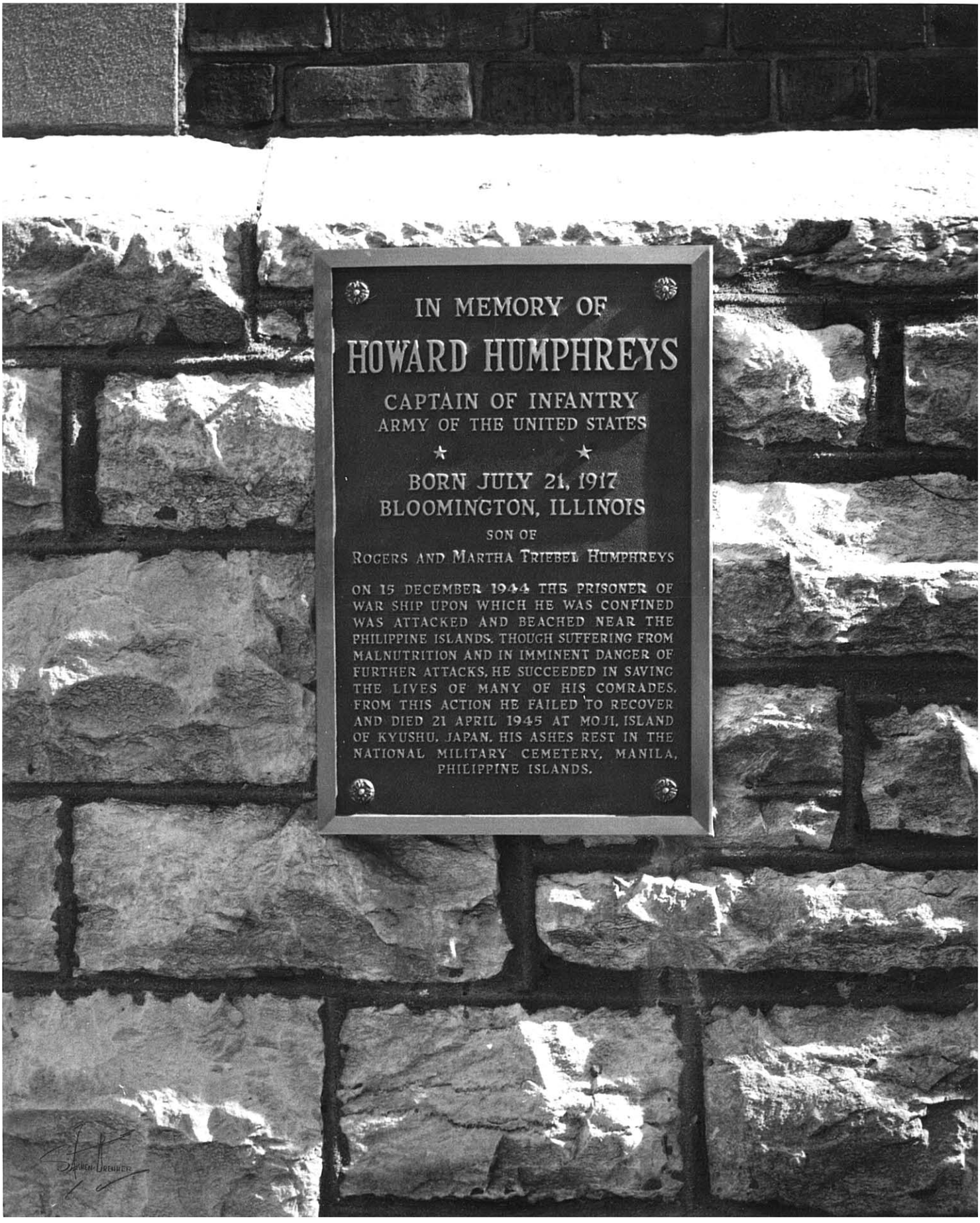
We also lose Ralph Jackson, co-captain of the team this year with Howard Humphreys. Ralph is going to be a hard man to replace. He is Western all-time high point scorer. He has consistently lowered his own 220 mark. He was undefeated in dual meets this year against the strongest type of competition. He placed seventh in the 220-yard free style, prep division, of the National Interscholastics. In the Ozark A. A. U. he registered college time, in both the 220 and the 440-yard free styles. Jackson's versatility was an added power to the squad. He could swim a good back stroke and won several firsts in important factor in the success of the team.

Men who consistently brought in points during the season, and in many instances the deciding points, were Lee Bernstein, David Marriott, and Marshall Padorr in the 100-yard breast stroke and the medley relay; Floyd Johnston in the back stroke; Robert Webster in the fancy diving; John Billstone, John Gano, John Henderson, Myron Newberger and Ira Joseph in the free style.

A fine group of young swimmers is coming up from the "B" team. Vance Shields, Phillip Pettes, Frank Paschek, Jack Ellison, Richmond, Toots Holman, Robert Roddy, Herbert Burrows, Dan Roberts, John O'Malley, Alan Anixter, Lester Anixter, Robert Rush, Link Coleman, Bob Cox, Bryan Watkins, and Robert Handlan will undoubtedly see action on future Western teams. Myron Newberger, Johnnie Henderson and Floyd Johnston are all men who give promise of championship calibre. They will have their hands full to sustain Western's reputation in the years to come. This will be accomplished in the future only as it has been done in the past, by long hours of hard, conscientious work. They will find that this pays big dividends to them, as it has to former swimmers, in development of physical build, of stamina, and of a clean, competitive spirit.

Too much credit cannot be given to the boys who have co-operated and worked hard to give Western its championship swimming team.

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HOWARD HUMPHREYS
CAPTAIN OF INFANTRY
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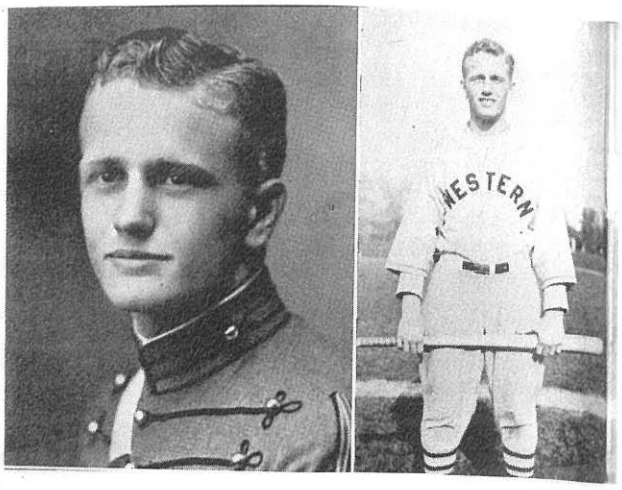
BORN JULY 21, 1917
BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS
SON OF
ROGERS AND MARTHA TRIEBEL HUMPHREYS
ON 15 DECEMBER 1944 THE PRISONER OF WAR SHIP UPON WHICH HE WAS CONFINED WAS ATTACKED AND BEACHED NEAR THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. THOUGH SUFFERING FROM MALNUTRITION AND IN IMMINENT DANGER OF FURTHER ATTACKS, HE SUCCEEDED IN SAVING THE LIVES OF MANY OF HIS COMRADES. FROM THIS ACTION HE FAILED TO RECOVER AND DIED 21 APRIL 1945 AT MOJI, ISLAND OF KYUSHU, JAPAN. HIS ASHES REST IN THE NATIONAL MILITARY CEMETERY, MANILA, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.



HOWARD HUMPHREYS

One so good in everything is seldom to be seen,
Personalities as fine as his are few and far between.

It was indeed a lucky day for Western when "Hump" entered school. He immediately became one of the most popular fellows in school, and his football, diving and baseball gained him a permanent place on Western's list of honor. He holds the rank of cadet captain. He is co-editor of the Shrapnel and business manager of the Recall. It is seldom that one finds so outstanding a specimen of young manhood.

Humphreys Given All-American Rank

Howard Humphreys, star member of Western's swimming team last year, was given All-American rating in Prep Division of the Interscholastic Association, according to the new swimming guide just placed upon the market by the Spaulding Sporting Goods Company.

Humphreys was given second place in fancy diving in the Prep Division, All-American Interscholastic. Only Lang of Massanutten Academy ranked ahead of him.

It is a great honor to win such recognition, and Coach Williams is to be congratulated upon developing swimmers of All-American calibre. Henri Chouteau, W. M. A. star, won national recognition last year by triumphing in the Mississippi River swim at St. Louis, it will be remembered.

Humphreys, who lived in St. Louis, had a splendid record at Western. He was a star athlete in baseball and football also, and prominent in almost every phase of school life.

HOWARD HUMPHREYS, '36 VISITS WESTERN SUNDAY

Howard Humphreys, class of '36, was a visitor here Sunday. Last year Humphreys was very prominent in school activities. He was a cadet captain, co-editor of the "Shrapnel," an editor on "The Recall" staff, chairman of the Senior Dance Committee, and an all-round athlete, being a letter man in football, baseball, and swimming. Humphreys won All-American recognition in swimming, his event being fancy diving.

While here, Humphreys took several dips in the pool and showed some of the W. M. A. divers some of the fine points of the event at the suggestion of Coach Williams.

Humphreys is attending Iowa University but plans soon to take the West Point exams.

SWIMMING

A truly championship swimming team! This year, 1936, the Western splash-men were even stronger than the winning combinations of 1933-1935.

CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

The team was composed of many individual stars who together formed a combination that ran up a string of nine straight victories in the Mississippi Valley. The boys finally fell before two of the strongest high school teams in the country, Culver Military Academy and New Trier High of Chicago. All teams in the vicinity of St. Louis which we came up against were beaten by decisive margins. It was a common thing to hear that a new pool or school record had been set during these contests.

Our outstanding individual performers were Henri Chouteau, Howard Humphreys, Carl Dischinger and Ed Goldsmith. All of these boys are stars and have set or tied school records during the year. All of them but Ed Goldsmith have won titles in national competition.

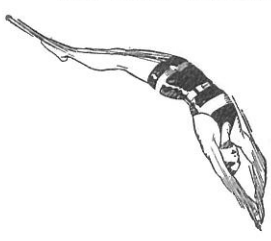
Chouteau is a finished product of Captain Williams' coaching and has developed so greatly under this splendid help and guidance that he is now rated with the best in the country. In the Ozark A. A. U. he took two second places; both his times were under the old A. A. U. records, and in both races he missed first place by the narrowest of margins. Henri also took third in the 100-yard free style and fourth in the 220-yard free style in the National Prep School Championships at Philadelphia. At present he holds several school records—100-yard free style, :57.4; 220-yard free style, 2:26.4; and the 440-yard free style, 5:22.8.

Howard Humphreys, captain of the team, also is the proud holder of many titles. He took second in the fancy diving at the National Prep School meet in Philadelphia. He also captured a place in the Ozark Open. "Hump" has lost but three firsts in the forty-five dual meets in which he has competed for Western.

Dischinger's prowess is purely the result of months of hard training. He has steadily improved, until this year he lowered his own backstroke record to 1:9 for the 100 yards. Carl won first place in the Ozark A. A. U. and also helped to win enough points at Philadelphia to place Western sixth in national team score.

Ed Goldsmith tied the school record of :19.3 in the 40-yard dash. He has been the deciding element of victory in many cases. His speed as anchor man helped to make new records in the 160-yard and 200-yard relays. The school record in the former was lowered to 1:22.8; Ira Joseph, Myron Newberger and Phillip Pettes being the other men on the relay team.

The other members of the team were the boys who piled up points in the various events to gain the team the importance it now enjoys. Lee Bernstein was the breast stroker, and in his four years he has been one of our mainstays. Ira Joseph, the lead-off man of the championship relay, has added many points to the team score by his fine work in the 40-yard dash; in any year of more



Grads Known To Be In Philippines At Present Moment

It is known that at least six graduates of Western are on duty with the U. S. forces in the Philippines. Their pictures were recently made and placed in the library for all cadets to see. As far as it is known, all are safe so far.

Lanson Ditto, Class '38, is now serving with the Pacific Fleet. He is remembered as the Paducah, Ky., boy, a star guard on Western's "A" football team, and on a championship "B" eleven before that. After Ditto graduated here, he attended Washington and Lee. He joined the Naval Reserve and last year was commissioned as Ensign with the Pacific Fleet.

Johnny Thogerson, '34, of Columbia, South America, is with the armed forces in the Philippines. He was a four-year man at Western and played "B" and "C" football. He graduated as a sergeant. He attended both Duke and Purdue universities and took up flying as a hobby, becoming very skillful at it. He then graduated from Randolph Field and last summer was ordered to the Philippines with the Air Corps as a Lieutenant.

Gregory Fajardo, '21, was a native of the Philippines. He was a house boy for a former W. M. A. cadet, who was an officer of the U. S. Army in the Islands. Fajardo, without correspondence, worked his way across the Pacific to Western. Because of his interest and ambition he was awarded a full scholarship and he attended W. M. A. four years. He then worked in a library in Washington, D. C., attending George Washington U. and National U. Upon returning to the Philippines he became active in politics and held important government positions under the Civil Service.

Another member of the Pacific Fleet is Ensign Delos Engle, '37, of East St. Louis. He attended Western for three years and through brilliant scholarship won his appointment to Annapolis. He graduated from the Naval Academy after three and one-half years of hard work and was assigned to the Pacific Fleet.

Robert Poos, '26, of University City, Mo., was another four-year Western grad. He was captain of the track team here and broke broad jump records. He then won his A. B. and M. D. degrees from Washington Uni-

LT. HUMPHREYS IS ON DUTY IN PHILIPPINES

Lieut. Howard Humphreys, W. M. A. '36, former "Shrapnel" editor, former star athlete and record-breaker on Western football, swimming, and baseball teams, is now with the 45th Infantry, Fort McKinley, Philippine Islands. He was a popular faculty member and soccer coach during 39-40 and 40-41.

In a letter to Capt. Williams he wrote: "Right now I'm missing W. M. A. very much. I've been assigned to the Philippine Army—four American officers in command of a native regiment. x x x The 'Recall' was certainly swell. I received one from Mrs. Brown. x x x x Lots of work here, day and night. I really feel as if I am doing some good. If we could go to war now I could get back sooner."

Capt. Humphreys Is Jap Prisoner In Philippines

Capt. Howard Humphreys, Class '36, formerly of Bloomington, Ill., is safe in a prison camp in the Philippines, according to a recent letter from Mr. Rogers Humphreys, his father, also a Western graduate.

The news of Capt. Humphreys has been awaited eagerly at Western. He was a star athlete, company commander, and "Shrapnel" editor during his cadet days. He then returned as a faculty officer for two years. One of the first to enter the service, he commanded a native unit in the Philippines during the seige of Bataan. He and his men played a heroic part in the hopeless task of resisting the Japs. When Corregidor and Bataan fell, his fate was not known.

Now his father writes: "We have just received a card from Humpy and it is good news. It was sent from Prison Camp, No. 2, P. I. It is a sort of multiple choice affair and contains little other than that he is in excellent health. He said, 'Please inform my friends that I am well and not to worry.' Apparently he was uninjured, but we know nothing concerning the details or date of his capture. The card bore his signature and appears to be genuine. x x x x May it all end soon, and in the proper way!"

Capt. Humphreys, '36, Is Still Prisoner Of Japanese Army

Since the Philippines have been occupied by U. S. troops, Western has awaited word of Capt. Howard Humphreys, Class '36, who commanded a company in the islands when the Japs captured them. No news was received until recently. His father, Capt. Roger Humphreys, USMCR, Commanding Officer, USMCAF, NABC, New York, also a Western graduate, recently wrote Col. Jackson.

It seems that on February 14, 1945, a message from Capt. Humphreys came through from Japanese Prison Camp No. 1 in the Philippines. He was allowed only to state: "My health is fair. No letters from the States since November, 1941. Please write and send food. Am looking forward to taking one of our trips together. We try to stay healthy and grow enough food to live on. Have made some good friends. That is all I can say for the last two years."

The message was written on July 10, 1944.

Another friend also wrote from the Philippines saying that all possible would be done to get word to Capt. Humphreys.

Capt. Humphreys, known as "Humpy" at Western went to the Philippines among the very first. He fought bravely until the Japs overcame resistance in the early part of the war. Evidently, so far, he has not been liberated by the Americans.

"Humpy" was an outstanding and well-loved cadet. He was a cadet captain and a star athlete in football and baseball. As a diver on the swimming team, he won national fame. He was co-editor of the "Shrapnel". He returned to Western for two years after graduation as a member of the military and commandant's staffs, in which position he was very successful. No cadet ever had more friends here, and they all hope for an early rescue of this genial, sunny-dispositioned officer.

CAPT. HUMPHREYS

Report Says Capt. Humphreys Did Not Surrender To Japs

He Escaped From Bataan To Tiny Island; Other Grads Are Cited

Col. Moore was not talking through his hat when he told the cadets that Western had contributed an outstanding group of heroes from Lieut. Commander O'Hare, Ensign Lanson Ditto, on down the line.

Word recently has come regarding Capt. Howard Humphreys, who, it was thought, was captured by the Japs when Corregidor fell. He was commanding a native battalion on Bataan.

But a Bloomington, Ill., paper recently interviewed Mr. Rogers Humphreys, also a former cadet and the father of Capt. Howard Humphreys, Class '36. Mr. Humphreys had come for a visit from the Virgin Islands. His report would indicate that Capt. Howard Humphreys still has the never-say-die spirit which he showed as captain and center on Western's grid teams, as captain and catcher on the baseball team, and as diver of national rank on the swimming team. He still uses his head as he did when editor of the "Shrapnel."

Not A Prisoner

Capt. Howard Humphreys (Humpy to his many friends) is not now and has not been a prisoner of the Japanese. He is not missing, either. He did not surrender to the yellow men when they swept over Bataan.

He may be found, if you can get there, in the hills of Leyte, a small island 100 miles northeast of Sabu (another island) in the Philippines. There he and his faithful natives are holed up in the hills, awaiting developments.

Mr. Rogers Humphreys, the father, said: "They can't get messages out but I've talked with men who have seen him. He is getting along fine. They are doing some guerilla fighting, I suppose, but there are not enough Japs to do much with." So Capt. Humphreys and his native troops may be living a page of history in that remote island as thrilling as any story of fiction.

After graduation from Western in '36, Capt. Humphreys was on the faculty here for two years, leaving for foreign service in the spring of '41.

Tibbets, '33, Decorated

News also comes from England that another W. M. A. grad, Major Paul W. Tibbets, Class '33, of Miami, Fla., recently was awarded the Purple Heart decoration by Maj Gen. Carl Spatz, commander in chief of the American Air Forces in Europe. Major Tibbets was among the officers and men who have distinguished themselves in battles with the German Air Forces in the many recent raids over Europe.

It was also announced just before school opened that Lieut. Norman Willey, Class '36, had been decorated by General Douglas MacArthur in Australia for unusual heroism. Lieut. Willey dashed into a burning plane which had crashed, and, in spite of the fire and exploding shells, saved the pilot's life. Willey was a star football end and a weight man in track at Western. He later graduated in engineering from Purdue.

The papers also recently told of Ma-

Capt. Humphreys, 1936, Dies In Jap Camp, April 15, '45

Survived Three Years Of Jap Prison Life After Fall Of Philippines

It's taps for "Humpy". One of the most popular cadets ever to attend Western and a young officer of the finest character, Captain Howard Humphreys, Class of '36, finally succumbed on April 15, 1945, of amoebic dysentery at Camp Fukioka, Japan. He had survived three years of the horrors and privations of Japanese prison camps, while his hosts of friends at Western and in Alton awaited eagerly for the bits of news that could be gleaned during the war. With the end of hostilities, they scanned the lists of liberated Americans, but Humphreys's name was missing. And now the end of the chapter is written, for "Humpy" died a few months before the victory that would have meant his freedom.

Howard Humphreys was one of many Western alumni who died during the recent war. But somehow he meant "something special" at the Academy. His father, Maj. Rogers Humphreys, was a cadet here before him. And "Humpy" himself was so typical of all that one considers best in a cadet.

An Outstanding Cadet

During four years at Western, this blond, blue-eyed, smiling boy, radiating cheerfulness, friendliness, and energy, threw himself loyally into every activity on the campus. In his senior year, he was center and captain of the football team, a diver on the swimming team with a national reputation, and catcher and captain of the baseball team. He was a star in every sport and was noted for courage and fair play. In addition, he was a cadet captain and company commander, co-editor of the "Shrapnel", and business manager of the yearbook, "The Recall". The yearbook said of him that year, "It is seldom that one finds so outstanding a specimen of young manhood."

After graduation, Humphreys attended the University of Iowa and spent some time with his parents in the Virgin Islands, where they owned a plantation. He then returned to Western to become a member of the commandant's staff and military faculty. Thus his period of service covered a span of nearly eight years at the Academy, and he was just as successful on the faculty as he was as a cadet.

CAPT. HUMPHREYS
Who Died In Japan
Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

Entered Service Early

As war approached, "Humpy" was one of the first to offer his services. He held a reserve commission. His friends remember that his blood pressure at that time was slightly above the standard, and several times he fasted and rested before taking physical tests at Jefferson Barracks. He was determined to be accepted, and on April 25, 1941, he reported for duty at Fort Custer, Michigan. In June, 1941, he was sent to the Philippines and placed in charge of a native company.

Capt. Humphreys's letters were cheerful and full of praise for his troops. He said they were real soldiers. When the Japs captured the Philippines, the report was that "Humpy" joined guerrillas in the hills for a while, but with the fall of Mindanao, he became a prisoner of war in the spring of 1942.

Few Messages

Then through the years, only a few messages sifted through from Capt. Humphreys. These words hinted at hardships, but were always optimistic and courageous. He mentioned the true friends that he had made. To a young man of his active tendencies, prison life was bound to be irksome.

The end of the war came, and still no definite news. Major Humphreys, his father, wrote last week that at last authentic but not official word had come about his son. The comrade who had attended Capt. Humphreys in his final illness wrote of his death.

Capt. Humphreys is sruvived by his father and mother, Major and Mrs. Rogers Humphreys, his grandmother, Mrs. Howard Humphreys of Bloomington, Ill., his former home, and by two sisters, Mrs. Martha Severson of the Virgin Islands, and Mrs. Mary Elise Harshbarger, Ft. Worth, Texas.

As for Western friends, "Humpy's" passing leaves a vacant and aching spot in many hearts. Another gold star gleams upon his class picture.

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Maj. Moore Relates Story Of Last Days Of Capt. Humphreys

Major Geo. B. Moore, 5807 Cornelia Ave., Chicago, visited Col. Jackson last week. He was with Capt. Howard Humphreys, Class '36, whose death in a Japanese prison camp was announced in this paper last week. In fact, they were roommates for a while.

Maj. Moore gave an account of his experiences with Capt. Humphreys, as follows:

"I first met Howard, or Humpy as we called him, when he first came to the Philippines in August, 1941. During the months that we worked together there, I could not help noticing what a likable, clean lad Humpy was. His abilities as an officer were superior. x x x

"After the fall of Bataan in October, 1942, I was sent to Davao on the island of Mindanao to a prison camp.

"He was also sent to that P. O. W. camp. We spent about a year and a half there, and it amazed us to see the remarkable physical condition that Hump was able to maintain. He was never ill nor mentally depressed. He was able to get along well with our captors, and, to my knowledge, was never struck or beaten by them, which was a very rare occurrence. I personally was beaten three or four times, as most prisoners were.

"One memory that returns to me is that, after our day's work in the rice paddies, we would go to the river to bathe, and there Humpy, in competition with the Japanese guards, would put on a diving exhibition. Needless to say, he surpassed them in this, and even the Japs were forced to admit he was a better man. They greatly admired his diving ability, and this may be the reason why he was never beaten.

"To my knowledge Humpy never suffered a day's illness in prison until he contracted his fatal illness aboard ship en route to Japan. We embarked on December 13, 1944, and completed the voyage on January 30, 1945. Our imprisonment was never a picnic, but it was endurable up to the time of this boat trip, which was terrible. There were 1600 prisoners aboard, and I doubt that more than 300 of them still survive. This prison ship trip stands out as a horrible experience.

"Though our imprisonment was bad, we did have our moments of good

Captain Humphreys, Heroic Grad, Still Receives Honors

Alumnus Of '36, Who Died In Jap Prison, Has Record Of Courage And Sacrifice

The war is over, but news still comes of honors conferred upon Capt. Howard Humphreys, Class '36, one of Western's great heroes and most beloved graduates. One of the first to go across, the commanded a native company in the Philippines and was captured by the Japanese when the islands were forced to surrender early in the war. He suffered the rigors of prison life but still found opportunity to perform heroic service. In April, 1945, shortly before the war ended, he died of amoebic dysentery at Camp Fukioka, Japan.

Bronze Star Citation

His father, Maj. Rogers Humphrey, himself a Western graduate, recently wrote Col. Jackson from St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, where he is on duty as Commander of the USMC Air Station. He sent copies of the citations awarding the Bronze Star Medal and the Silver Star Medal to Capt. Humphreys.

The citation for the Bronze Star said: "Captain Howard Humphreys rendered meritorious service on 15 December 1944. While a prisoner of war of the Japanese, a ship in which he was confined was attacked and beached at Olongapo Harbor, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands. He assisted in organizing and directed rescue operations of those caught beneath the falling beams and advancing flames. Though suffering from malnutrition and in imminent danger of further attacks, he succeeded in saving the lives of many of his comrades."

Silver Star Citation

The Silver Star citation said: "For gallantry in action while S-3 of the Agusan Sector of the Visayan-Mindanao Force, 3 May to 9 May, 1942. During the hostile landings on the North Coast of Mindanao, Captain Howard Humphreys, while destroying bridges in front of the enemy, on his own initiative proceeded with his detail of five soldiers to Balingasag, about forty kilometers outside his sector and in close proximity to the enemy, removed stores of food and other supplies to prevent them from falling into enemy hands. This was accomplished while the enemy was advanc-

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Plaque To Captain Howard Humphreys To Be Dedicated At Commencement

After the alumni picnic next Saturday, a memorial plaque will be dedicated to one of Western's fine young heroes, Capt. Howard Humphreys, Class '36, who gave his life in World War II.

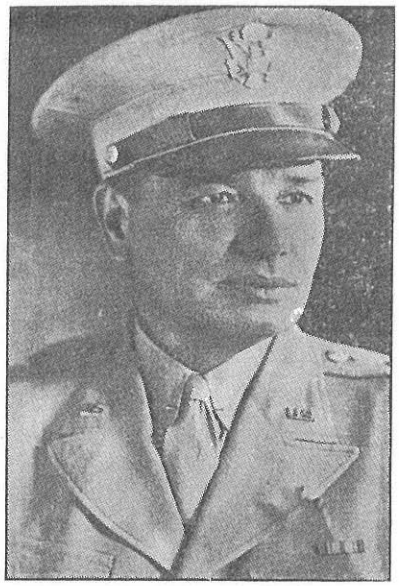
The inscription on the bronze tablet reads—"In memory of Howard Humphreys, Captain of Infantry of the Army of the United States. Born July 21, 1917, at Bloomington, Illinois. Son of Rogers and Martha Humphreys. On 15 December 1944 the Prisoner of War Ship upon which he was confined was attacked and beached near the Philippine Islands. Though suffering from malnutrition and in imminent danger of further attack, he succeeded in saving the lives of many of his comrades. From this action he failed to recover and he died 21 April 1945, Moji Island, Kyushu, Japan. His ashes rest in the National Cemetery of Manila, Philippine Islands."

The plaque will be placed in a position of honor on the north side of the administration building.

Cadet Record Brilliant

"Humpy", as he was affectionately known, was an ideal cadet. He was loyal and true. He was a cadet captain, catcher in baseball, center in football, co-editor of "The Shrapnel", and a diving champion of national rating. He graduated with honors and returned to be a most successful tactical officer. His father was also a former W. M. A. cadet.

Capt. Humphreys was one of the first to enter the service. He commanded a native company when the Japs captured Corregidor and Bataan at the start of World War II. Like General Wainwright, he suffered hardships as a prisoner, but comrades returned to Western to tell that his cheerful, sunny disposition upheld the morale of his unit and his heroism saved their lives. "Humpy" did not survive the war, but his memory will always live at Western.



BRIG. GEN. CARL GRAY, '07
Keeps Wheels Rolling

Father Says Capt. Howard Humphreys Did Not Surrender

Rumors State That He Escaped With Native Troops To Tiny Island

It was known that Capt. Howard Humphreys of Bloomington, Ill., Class '36, was in command of native troops in the Philippines when Corregidor fell. He has been reported "missing."

However, his father, Mr. Rogers Humphreys, also a former cadet, who came to Illinois from the Virgin Islands this fall, had an interesting story to tell about his son.

He said, "Capt. Howard Humphreys is not now and has not been a prisoner of the Japs. He is not missing, either. He did not surrender to the Yellow Men when they swept over Bataan. He may be found, if you can get there, in the hills of Leyte, a small island 100 miles northeast of Sabu, another island of the Philippines. There he and his faithful natives are holed up in the hills, awaiting developments."

Mr. Humphreys continued, as reported by a Bloomington paper, "They can't get messages out, but I have talked with men who have seen him. He is getting along fine. They are doing some guerilla fighting, I suppose."

Former comrades of Capt. Humphreys at Western know that the "never-surrender" spirit is characteristic of him. He proved that as catcher on the baseball team, center on the grid team, and as a diver with national rating on the swimming team. After graduation, he was on the tactical staff at Western for two years before going directly into foreign service.

It may be that Capt. Humphreys and his men are having unusual experiences such as one could not find in the most fantastic novel.

Brigadier General Carl Gray, 1907, Is Loyal Western Grad

Heads Military Railway Service And Keeps Wheels Rolling For Government

Another Western graduate is now a Brigadier General, the third to attain that rank or better. He is Brig. Gen. Carl R. Gray, Jr., Class '07, and he is now General Manager in charge of Military Railway Service.

This is an important job, for Gen. Gray must keep the wheels rolling and freight and troops moving for the government. He has many units in this country and some beyond the borders. His headquarters are at 615 Commerce Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

Gen. Gray has had a wide experience in railroading. After finishing at Western, he received his A. B. degree from the University of Illinois. He then served with the Frisco System, the Oregon Electric Railway Co., the Spokane, Portland, and Seattle R. R. Co., and the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy R. R. He was then made executive vice-president of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Omaha R. R.

When the war clouds gathered, he was called from his executive position to take charge of the military railway service. He has advanced rapidly to his present rank. General Gray was a Captain in World War I, acting as Transportation Officer, Southeastern Division.

Lt. J. J. Strause, '21, Is Reported Missing In Atlantic Battle

Lieut, J. Jacque Strause, Class '21, of Peoria, Ill., was reported missing after a naval engagement in the Atlantic three months ago. He received his commission in April in the Navy and attended the Great Lakes Naval Training School. It is said that he was in command of a gun crew on a merchant vessel, which, it is assumed, was sunk in the Atlantic while in convoy. The War Department reported him missing.

Lieut. Strause, after leaving W. M. A., attended the University of Illinois. His wife, Mrs. Selma Strause, lives in Peoria.

In his last letter to Col. Jackson, Lieut. Strause said, "Make those boys train hard and realize the seriousness of the position our country is in today. The cadets there have an opportunity the majority of fellows would give their right arms for these days. Help them to takeadvantage of that opportunity."

WAR SERVICE TRIBUTE

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson pins the Medal for Merit on William S. Paley, Board Chairman of the Columbia Broadcasting System, who, as a civilian, was head of radio operations of the Army Psychological Warfare Branch in Europe. Mr. Paley, later commissioned a Colonel, also holds the Legion of Merit and French Croix de Guerre with Palms.

WILLIAM S. PALEY, CLASS OF 1918, RECOGNIZED FOR WAR SERVICE

The picture printed above is a special release to the "Shrapnel" and shows another honor being bestowed upon Mr. William S. Paley, Class '18, one of Western's most successful graduates. Mr. Paley, Board Chairman of the Columbia Broadcasting System, has not only gained an outstanding position in radio and business activities but he has also performed war service of unusual merit. He was the head of radio operations of the Army Psychological Warfare Branch in Europe during the war. For this work he received the Legion of Merit and the French Croix de Guerre with Palms. The picture above shows him receiving the Medal for Merit from Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson. He was also commissioned a colonel.

Decorated

William S. Paley, Columbia Broadcasting System president, has been awarded the Legion of Merit. His war service began Oct., 1943, in OWI, supervising Allied broadcasting in North Africa and Italy. When Gen. Eisenhower took supreme command, Paley became his Chief of Radio at AEF headquarters and later was commissioned a Colonel in the Army.

William S. Paley, '18, C. B. S. Head, Is Cited For Service

Mr. William S. Paley, president of the Columbia Broadcasting System, who was awarded the Legion of Merit recently, is a Western graduate of the Class of '18. His work in the recent war as Chief of Radio at AEF headquarters won him the decoration and a commission as a colonel in the army. Mr. Paley has long been known as one of the most successful W. M. A. alumni, for his position as head of C. B. S. has stamped him as an outstanding executive.

William S. Paley came to Western from Chicago as a cadet. He is remembered as an excellent student at the Academy, but, otherwise, his career as a cadet was not spectacular.

CHOUTEAU AS A CADET

Henri Chouteau, '36, Leaves For Canada To Join Air Force

Henri Chouteau, Jr., Class '36, who took an oath of allegiance to King George to join the Royal Canadian Air Force, left last week for London, Ontario, to start the last stage of his training before going into Britain's war. He is one of a group of 142 young men selected as pilots from a group of 552 that entered the service on July 2. The first phase of his training has been completed.

Chouteau will become a sergeant pilot in another month, and later expects to be commissioned as a flying officer. He will then go abroad. For the cold Canadian winters, he has already been issued a heavy fur flying suit, a waterproof oversuit, and fleece-lined boots to combat temperatures of 30 degrees below zero at high attitudes. The St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" printed his picture in his flying outfit.

Henri Chouteau had a fine record at Western. He was a cadet lieutenant in the battalion. He was one of the greatest swimmers ever to attend the school, winning All-American rating. He won the 10-mile Mississippi River swim at St. Louis against the best swimmers of the nation. He was also a speedy backfield man on the "A" football team.

Chouteau, now 23 years old, is a member of one of the oldest pioneer families of St. Louis—a family which played a prominent part in the founding of that city.

Chouteau, Class '36, Tells About Life In Canadian Air Force

Last Thursday, Henri Chouteau of St. Louis, Class '36, returned for a visit and was coaxed by Col. Jackson to give a talk before the cadets.

Chouteau has finished a course with the Royal Canadian Air Force, and is to be used as an instructor for new recruits. He told of a recruit's first duties on the ground and how he finally works until he bacomes a full-fledged pilot. Chouteau said that a recruit must have plenty of courage and stamina, for the aim of the Air Force is to select only the toughest and best. He related many interesting experiences of his own training career. Some of the incidents were humorous, and Chouteau remarked that such a life needs a humorous side to relieve the tension.

Col. Jackson added several facts to Chouteau's talk, and then introduced his son, Charles Jackson, Class '39, who is now at Washington and Lee, and who recently went to the finals in the college wrestling tournament.

Chouteau is well remembered at Western as an All-American free style swimmer, a star grid player, and a cadet officer.

Lieut. Jack Ellison, Class 1938, Killed In Action On Luzon

Previously Wounded, He Loses Life In Battle For Manila

Word was received Sunday that First Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison, Class 1938, a paratroop officer in the 511th Regiment of the 11th Airborne Division, was killed in action in the Philippines on February 8. The message came to his wife, Mrs. Miriam Kindermann Ellison of Ames, Iowa. She informed his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ellison, 3210 College Ave., Alton.

His parents believe that Lieut. Ellison was killed in the American drive on Manila, for Associated Press dispatches of around February 8 tell about Lieut. Ellison's regiment making a surprise landing and pushing into the city's suburbs against stiff enemy resistance.

Lieut. Ellison had been previously wounded in Leyte, where his unit made a landing and was pinned down to the ground for six hours by Japanese fire. He was hit in the ankle, but had recovered and returned to combat duty.

Lieut. Jack Ellison was called to active duty with the Alton National Guard in 1941. In the spring of 1942 he was made a second lieutenant after special infantry training. He later transferred to the paratroopers and went overseas last May.

Besides his wife, a former Monticello girl, Lieut. Ellison is survived by a son, Robert Jackson Ellison, 7 months old, whom he never saw; two sisters in the service, Pfc. Jane Ellison, WAC, stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington, and Mary Ellison, seaman first class, WAVES, Washington, D. C.; and his parents. He was the grandson of Mrs. A. M. Jackson and a nephew of Col. R. L. Jackson.

Lieut. Ellison graduated from Western in 1938, and attended the University of Missouri, the University of Wisconsin, and Shurtleff College before going into the service.

At Western, Jack Ellison was well liked during his four years at the school. He was tall and handsome, and always he was interested in a military career. His father was a Colonel in World War I, and both of his sisters are now in the service. Lieut. Ellison was one of the first Alton men to go on active duty in this war. He became an excellent and efficient officer. Desiring more action, he asked to be changed from the Infantry to the Paratroopers. He finished the rigorous course and was in the thick of the fight in the Philippines until he give his life on Luzon. Lieut. Ellison never

Tribute Is Paid To Lieut. Jack Ellison By Gen. MacArthur

General Douglas MacArthur, Commander of U. S. Forces in the South Pacific, recently wrote to Mrs. A. J. Ellison expressing grief over the death of her husband, 1st Lieut. A. J. Ellison. This paper recently told of the death of Lieut. Jack Ellison, Class '38, on February 8, during the Battle of Manila. He was with the 11th Airborne Division.

General MacArthur spoke in the highest terms of Lieut. Ellison's devotion and character. His letter follows:

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
South Pacific Area
March 18, 1945

Dear Mrs. Ellison:

I cannot express to you the poignancy of my regret at the death of your husband, First Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison.

His service under me was characterized by his complete devotion to our beloved country, and his noble death integrates him with imperishable glory.

I have lost a gallant comrade-in-arms and with you mourn a splendid gentleman.

Very faithfully,
Douglas MacArthur.

Lieut. Ellison's home was in Alton. His wife and son are now in Iowa. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ellison of this city.

LIEUT. JIM LATHAM, 1939, GETS MARINES COMMISSION

Jim Latham of Alton, Class of '39, was recently made a Lieutenant in the Marines, after completing his course at Quantico, Virginia. Lieut. Latham left the University of Illinois this year in the middle of his senior year to join the Marines. He was a four-year man at Western and is well remembered for his all-round athletic ability, as he won four major letters in football, baseball, basket ball, and tennis during his final year. He graduated as a Cadet Lieutenant and then attended the University of Texas and the University of Ilinois.

Reserve Center To Be Dedicated To Lieut. Ellison, '38

Western Grad Who Lost Life On Luzon Island In 1945 Will Be Honored In Alton

The Fifth U.S. Army Headquarters in Chicago has approved the dedication of the Alton Army Reserve Center to the memory of the late First Lt. Albert Jackson Ellison of Alton, W.M.A. '38.

Lieut. Ellison, a grandson of the late Col. A. M. Jackson, first superintendent of Western Military Academy, and the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ellison of Alton, died on Luzon Island in the Philippines on Feb. 8, 1945, while serving as a platoon leader in the 511th Airborne Infantry Regiment of the 11th Airborne Division.

Decorated For Gallantry

For his action in the Luzon campaign, he was awarded the Silver Star, the third highest decoration for gallantry. Previously, Lieut. Ellison had won the Bronze Star for heroism under fire and the Purple Heart for wounds received in the Leyte invasion.

Lieut. "Jack" Ellison graduated from Western in 1938 after four years as a cadet, during which he was prominent in many activities. He attended the University of Wisconsin, the University of Missouri, and Shurtleff College before being inducted into the service in 1941.

After being commissioned as a second lieutenant at Ft. Benning, Ga., he was transferred to the Paratroopers. His first combat jump was at Leyte.

Interred Near Cousin

Lieut. Ellison's body is interred in McKinley National Cemetery alongside his cousin, First Lieut. James K. Latham, Class '39, who was killed

GEN. SEBREE PRESENTS AWARDS

Gen. Sebree congratulates Mrs. A. J. Ellison after presenting her the Bronze Star and the Silver Star won by her late husband, late Lieut. Jack Ellison. From left—Gen. Sebree, Mrs. C. C. Ellison, Mrs. Jack Ellison, Mr. C. C. Ellison, and Maj. William Lawe, holding Lieut. Ellison's son, Robert.

Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

Medals Won By Lieut. Jack Ellison Presented To Wife By Gen. Sebree

In a simple, but very impressive ceremony Sunday afternoon, a Western hero was honored on the parade ground when Brig. General E. B. Sebree presented the Bronze Star and Silver Star Medals to Mrs. Miriam Kindermann Ellison, widow of First Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison, class of '38, of Alton. The cadet battalion took part in the ceremony, which, in spite of the gloomy, cold day was witnessed by a large crowd.

Lieut. Ellison lost his life on Luzon in February, 1945, while directing the rescue of American trops trapped in a burning building under heavy Japanese fire. An officer of the 11th Airborne Division, he had already won the Purple Heart for wounds on Leyte and the Bronze Star for intrepid courage in action. The citations, printed elsewhere in this paper, give a full account of his heroism.

Brig. General Sebree, himself the

ly interested in the band and the lines of cadets.

As General Sebree took his position, the band sounded the flourishes and ruffles due to an officer of his rank. The colors marched to the front and the band played "The Star Spangled Banner." The battalion staff faced the reviewing party, and the ranks of cadets came to "present arms." Following this salute, the corps was given the order, "at ease," by the acting battalion commander, Cadet Capt. Bittner. The official orders and citations awarding the honors to Lieut. Ellison were read by Cadet Lieut. Adj. Vanocur. Then General Sebree stepped forward and pinned the Bronze Star and the Silver Star on the coat of Mrs. Ellison and, with a hearty handclasp, expressed congratulations. The young son squirmed and gurgled in the arms of Maj. Lawe.

The battalion, looking its best, passed in review with band thundering

Lt. James Latham Of The Marines Is Killed On Okinawa

Just as we go to press, word was received by Mrs. R. K. Latham of Alton that her son, Lieut. James K. Latham of the 6th Marine Division, was killed in action against the Japs on Okinawa on May 10. Lieut. Latham was a Western graduate, Class '39. An older brother, Capt. Rex Latham of the U. S. Air Corps, lost his life in a plane crash in the Southwestern United States two years ago. A third brother, Lieut. Jack Latham, Class '36, is an airplane pilot with the U. S. forces in Germany.

The news of Lieut. Jim Latham's death came as a severe blow to many friends at Western. He was brought up on the campus, for his father, the late Maj. Rex K. Latham, was for many years secretary-treasurer of Western and assistant superintendent.

Jim Latham attended W. M. A. four years. The 1939 "Recall" stated that in a popularity contest in the senior class Jim would rank at the top. Genial, friendly, and calm, he held the esteem of all who knew him. He was a star athlete, playing on many teams, and winning varsity letters in football, basket ball, and baseball. He graduated as a cadet lieutenant and was very active in school life.

Lieut. Latham then attended the University of Illinois but left shortly before his graduation to join the U. S. Marines. He received training at Parris Island. After winning his commission, he was married to Miss Barbara Martin of Champaign, Ill., a classmate at the University. They had a few short months together in California before Lieut. Latham was sent to the South Pacific. Mrs. Latham is now in California, where she was awaiting the day of his return.

Lieut. Latham participated in the capture of Guam. He spent some time on Guadalcanal and then was moved up with his division to that deadliest of all battle grounds in the Pacific, Okinawa. Papers recently have described the terrific fighting of the Marines as they slowly cleared the island of fanatical Japanese. Though no particulars were given, Lieut. Latham evidently made the supreme sacrifice in combat in one of these battles

Two Grads Rest Side By Side In Manila Cemetery

Pictures Received Of Graves Of Lts. Latham And Ellison, Who Were Also First Cousins

Newspapers last week carried the story of the dedication of the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial at Fort William McKinley in the Philippines. This beautiful war cemetery was created at a cost of $5,000,000, and 17,182 men of the armed forces are buried there.

In this cemetery two W.M.A. grads, who were also first cousins, are buried in graves side by side. This is quite a coincidence. They are 1st Lieut. James K. Latham, Class '39, of the U. S. Marine Corps, and 1st Lieut. A. J. Ellison, Class '38, of the Airborne Infantry. Lieut. Latham was killed in action on Okinawa in 1945, and Lieut. Ellison died in action on Luzon in 1945.

Pictures Received

On the day before the dedication of the cemetery Mrs. R. K. Latham received colored close-up photographs of the graves and marble markers of these two alumni from Lieut. (j.g.) William S. Fabianic, who is stationed in Manila with the Navy and who lived next to the campus and grew up there. The names could be plainly seen on the markers.

Both of these former cadets are first cousins of Col. R. B. Jackson and Maj. C. B. Jackson and nephews of the late Col. R. L. Jackson. Memorial markers for Lieut. Latham and Lieut. Ellison are on the lots of the Jackson and Ellison families in the Upper Alton Cemetery. The Galahad stained-glass window in the chapel is a memorial to them, and their photographs are in the W.M.A. study hall.

Robert Ellison, a cadet in the Sophomore Class, is the son of Lieut. Ellison. The armory in Wood River was named for Lieut. Ellison last year.

Mrs. R. K. Latham, mother of Lieut. Latham and aunt of Lieut. Ellison, lives near the campus. Her husband, the late Col. R. K. Latham, was an executive for many years in military schools, including Western.

Army Reserve Center Dedicated To Lt. Ellison, '38

Impressive Ceremonies At Wood River Honor Heroic Graduate Saturday Afternoon

By Ellison

Last Saturday afternoon, the Wood River Army Reserve Center was dedicated to the memory of 1st Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison, W.M.A. '38. In spite of inclement weather, a large crowd attended. Lieut. Ellison, grandson of the late Col. A. M. Jackson, Superintendent of W.M.A., and first cousin of Col. R. B. Jackson and Maj. C. B. Jackson of Western, was killed in action on February 8, 1945, in the Philippines. He was cited for bravery and heroism. He was the son of Mrs. Grace Ellison Baysinger ,sister of the late Col. R. L. Jackson.

Ceremony Begins

The dedication ceremony began as the Wood River Reserves marched into the armory and took their places in the rear. The Western Color Guard followed. The audience stood while Capt. K. P. Mayhew, Chaplain of the 102nd Infantry Division, pronounced the invocation.

Capt. Robert E. Hatfield introduced the guests on the platform, as follows: Col. Haviland, A. N. Connelly, representing Gen. Charles D. W. Canham and Missouri Sector Commander, Col. R. B. Jackson, Superintendent of Western, Col. C. H. Moore, Commandant of Western, Lt. Col. Thomas Dunk, Executive Officer of 102nd Infantry Division, Lt. Col. Jerome B. Hasemeier, Commander of the 4th Howitzer Battalion, Maj. Donald E. Gillis, sub-sector commander of East St. Louis, Maj. C. B. Jaackson, vice-president of W.M.A., Capt. K. P. Mayhew, Chaplain, Judge Harold R. Clark, judge of the Circuit Court, and a major in the Reserves, Mayor James

Rex Latham, '35, To Enter Air Sevice

Rex Latham of Alton, Ill., who graduated from Western in 1935, has been called by the U. S. Air Corps to begin his training as a "flying cadet". He will report to the Spartan School at Tulsa, Oklahoma, early in February to start the first phase of his training, which will last for three months. After about six more months at other places, he will receive his commission in the Air Corps if he successfully meets all requirements. He has already passed his physical tests.

Rex Latham graduated from the University of Michigan after finishing his course at Western. One brother, Jack Latham, class '36, is already a Lieutenant in active service with the U. S. Army. He graduated from the University of Virginia. A third brother, Jim Latham, class '39, is now at the University of Illinois. All are sons of the late Major R. K. Latham, who was assistant superintendent of Western, and their mother, Mrs. R. K. Latham, is the sister of Col. R. L. Jackson, superintendent of Western.

No News Of Capt. Rex Latham's B-17, Missing Two Weeks

At the present writing, no further word has been received concerning the missing B-17 bomber, on which Capt. Rex. Latham and eight others were making a training flight from Portland Oregon, to New Mexico. The plane was reported "overdue" two weeks ago. Since then the army has been staging an intensive search over the mountainous terrain traversed by the flight. Even commercial ships have gone off their routes to look for the missing bomber and its crew.

Capt. Latham, a member of the W. M. A. Class of '35, is the son of Mrs. Rex K. Latham of Alton, the grandson of Mrs. A. M. Jackson, and the nephew of Col. Jackson. The family have waited bravely for news of the missing plane and have received bulletins from the army. They have refused to give up hope. Col. Jackson has been in touch with the home base of the plane at Columbus, Ohio, and also with officers in Arizona, who are conducting the search. He has offered to do anything that he could to further the search, but army officials have stated that everything is being done and that fifty planes have been flying over the territory.

No News From Capt. R. Latham, '35, And Overdue B-17 Plane

Bomber Missing On Flight From Portland, Oregon, To Las Vegas, N. M.

At the present writing on Tuesday, a B-17 bomber, which Capt. Rex K. Latham, Class '35, was aboard is still reported missing. Capt. Latham is the son of Mrs. R. K. Latham, sister of Col. Jackson.

Capt. Latham, after almost two years in the Air Corps, had taken up preparation for an instructorship in B-17 flying and he reported to Columbus, Ohio, on January 14. He, with several others, was making a long-cross-country flight as a part of that training. The bomber had reached Portland, Oregon, and was due at Las Vegas, N. M., on Wednesday night, March 3. On Thursday, March 4, Mrs. Latham was notified that the plane was overdue. Since then, army officials have been searching the terrain covered by the flight, but the missing B-17 had not been located on Tuesday, March 9.

Capt. Rex Latham is so well known at Western that everyone has felt the deepest interest concerning his safety.

He graduated from Western in 1935, where he was a cadet officer, a member of the band, a member of the rifle team, an athlete on several teams, and an honor student. He then graduated from the University of Michigan with a fine record, where he was again prominent in the university band and fraternity athletics. He received his wings and a second lieutenant's commission at Kelley Field, Texas, on September 26, 1941.

Capt. Latham then served as an instructor for new flyers at Randolph Field and Perrin Field near Sherman, Tex. He also was an instructor at fields at Sikeston, Mo., and Coffeyville, Kans. His career as a flying instructor was marked by efficiency and skill. He left Coffeyville to take the instructor's course in the famed B-17 bombers, going to Sebring, Florida, and then to Lockbourne Field, Columbus, Ohio.

Capt. Latham is the highest type of young man and officer, possessing superior intelligence, sterling character, and a lovable disposition which won

Capt. Rex Latham Buried Here With Military Ceremony

Young U. S. Flier's Body Found In Arizona After Lapse Of Months

Capt. Rex Latham of the U. S. Air Corps, Class of '35 at Western, was buried with full military honors from the family home adjoining the campus on Tuesday, July 13. Last year's cadets will remember that he had been missing since March 4, when a B-17 bomber, which he was aboard, failed to arrive at its destination, Las Vegas, Nev., on a flight from Portland, Ore.

The wrecked plane was found on the side of a mountain near Springerville, Arizona. The giant ship, carrying eight other men, had evidently crashed in a storm. A wide search was made four months ago by army planes and ground parties. However, a rancher found the body of one soldier who had gone twenty miles with the aid of crutches improvised from the wreckage before succumbing. This led to the discovery of the plane. All others had evidently been killed instantly.

Capt. Rex. Latham was one of the finest young men ever to graduate from Western. In character, personality, and lovable disposition he was not excelled. After a splendid career at Western, during which he was active in the band and athletics, was a superior student, and a cadet officer, he graduated from the University of Michigan. He received his wings at Kelly Field, Texas, in 1941. He rose to the rank of captain and was a successful instructor at Randolph and Perrin Fields in Texas, at Sikeston, Mo., and at Coffeyville, Kans. He was assigned last January to Lockbourne Field, Ohio, to take the instructor's course in B-17 bombers, and it was while on a routine flight that his plane disappeared last March.

The funeral service was conducted at the Latham home by Capt. Lee O. Wright, veteran army chaplain, a cousin of Capt. Latham, and by the Rev. Robt. H. Moore, curate of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The flag-draped casket was borne by Capts. J. M. Lappig, C. A. Albers, L. C. Hazen, J. G. Gantz, C. O. Throckmorton, and C. B. McGrew, all of Scott Field.

George Henderson, '35, Captain With Tank Destroyers

Major and Mrs. F. N. Henderson have received word that their son, Lieut. George Henderson, Class '35, has received his captaincy. His address is Capt. George Henderson, Company "B", Tank Destroyer Battalion, Student Officers' Battalion, Student Regiment, Tank Destroyer School, Camp Hood, Texas.

Capt. Henderson was the Cadet Major, the Honor Graduate, the all-round athlete and captain of several teams, and editor of the "Shrapnel" during his senior year. He entered the tank destroyer service at Ft. Custer, Mich. He has recently completed the course at Camp Hood, Texas. He is married and has a young son, "Chuck."

His younger brother, Lieut. John Henderson, Class '37, also entered the tank destroyer branch of the service. He, too, was football captain and editor of the "Shrapnel." He graduated in journalism from the University of Illinois.

Lt. John Henderson, '37, Now A Captain

Word was received this week that 1st Lieut. John B. Henderson, Class '37, son of Maj. and Mrs. F. N. Henderson, has been promoted to the rank of Captain. His address is 605 Tank Destroyer Battalion, Camp Hood, Tex.

Capt. Henderson is only 22 years old. As he entered the service 14 months ago as a Second Lieutenant Reserve Officer, his advancement has been very rapid. His older brother, Capt. George Henderson, Class '35, also received his promotion in the Tank Destroyer Battalion a few months ago.

Capt. Henderson's Western record was, as follows: Cadet Captain, president of his class all four years, editor of the "Shrapnel," editor of the "Recall," chairman of the Senior Dance Committee, co-captain Prep football team, and captain of the swimming team. He was an honor student at Western and also at the University of Illinois, where he graduated in journalism.

Maj. and Mrs. Henderson are to be congratulated upon having two fine sons as captains with the U. S. Tank Destroyers.

Bronze Star Medal Won By Capt. John Henderson, Class '37

Capt. John B. Henderson, Class '37, son of former commandant, Maj. F. N. Henderson, was recently awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroic action in Germany.

The citation read: "John Bickford Henderson, Captain, 605 Tank Destroyer Battalion. For meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy in Germany. Captain Henderson, Commander of Company "B", displayed superior leadership, initiative, coolness under fire, and devotion to duty in leading his unit into combat. His company was assigned a variety of missions all of which were accomplished successfully and under heavy enemy fire and difficult conditions of weather and terrain. On one occasion he was captured by the enemy with one of his officers. By quick action on their part, the sentry was disarmed and returned to our lines as a prisoner of war. His personal courage, attention to the welfare of his men, and his record of successful accomplishment of difficult missions in the face of heavy enemy fire is a credit to the military service."

Capt. Henderson was at Western four years. He graduated as a cadet captain, was captain of the football team, editor of the "Shrapnel", and an honor student. He graduated in journalism from the U. of Illinois and was on the staff of "The Columbus Citizen" when he entered the service. It is significant that during his senior year at W. M. A. the "Recall" said of him: "Whenever he starts to do a task, he always finishes it." That character trait was reflected again in his citation by the words, "his record of successful accomplishment of difficult missions."

Capt. Jim Ellis, '36, Gets Bronze Star For Heroic Action

Capt. James O. Ellis, '36, Honor Graduate from Moline, Ill., is still on duty with U. S. forces near Munich, Germany. He graduated from M. I. T. after finishing at Western.

Capt. Ellis landed with the 103rd Division in France and became a part of the 7th Army. His battalion was the first to fight their way on to German soil near Strassborg. He then went south through the Brenner Pass and contacted the Allied Forces in Italy shortly before the end of the war.

His father says that Jim has never written much about his experiences. He did not even tell about winning the Bronze Star.

Capt. Ellis was awarded the Bronze Star for heroism in action. The citation read: "On 10 December 1944, near Uttenhoffen, France, when a bypassed enemy machine gun inflicted casualties on the Third Battalion, 511th Infantry, and forced the men to disperse, Captain Ellis organized an eight-man patrol and led the men in a flanking movement against the position. He halted the patrol and moved forward alone to within 25 yards of the emplacement. Then, demanding their surrender, he charged the surprised crew, capturing eight of the enemy. Captain Ellis's action reflected the highest tradition of the military service."

By Command of
Bragadier General Pierce.

Gen. Carl Gray, '07, Appointed Head Of Veterans' Affairs

Western Grad Prominent In Railway Administration And In U. S. Army Circles

A Western graduate, Class '07, Maj. Gen. Carl R. Gray, Jr., was recently appointed to the important post of Administrator of Veterans Affairs to succeed Gen. Omar M. Bradley.

Gen. Bradley will replace Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower as Chief of Staff of the Army when he leaves the service to become president of Columbia University.

The "New York Times" stated that Gen. Gray's appointment to head the Veterans Affairs met with warm approval. At present General Gray is vice-president of the Chicago & Northwestern R. R. in charge of public relations, and he lives in St. Paul Minn. The "Times" stated that he is noted for his memory and for his genial personality.

Became Major General

Carl Gray graduated with honors from Western in 1907. He won his A. B. degree from the University of Illinois in 1911. He then began a brilliant career in railroading, serving in engineering and operating capacities on several of the largest systems. In World War I he served as a captain and as a lieutenant colonel.

Between the two wars Gen. Gray resumed his career in railroading. In World War II he was made a brigadier general and then major general. He served thirty-four months overseas and was director general of military railways in North Africa, Italy, and France. Later he was in charge of all military railway service in the European Theatre. For his outstanding work in keeping army railroad transportation moving, he was decorated many times.

Loyal To Western

Gen. Gray has always retained a keen interest in Western and has visited the school many times. Two years ago he delivered the commencement address. At that time he told Col. Jackson that he was proud of the evident progress and the high standards of the Academy.

Gen. Gray is a member of the Society of Military Engineers, the So-

GENERAL GRAY

—Courtesy Alton Telegraph

Col. Carl Gray, '07, Appointed Head Of Rail Organization

Distinguished Grad Responsible For Military Transportation Of U. S. Army

Col. Carl R. Gray, '07, of St. Paul, Minnesota, one of Western's most distinguished graduates, has been made head of the Military Railway Service of the U. S. by the War Department. It is his job to organize the railway service so that it can function as an aid to the army in case of military operations. The railroads are an important link in transportation and communication during military operations.

News dispatches state that the military railway service will be divided into divisions, operating in certain areas. All phases will be organized, maintenance, operation, repairs, construction, etc. Five grand divisions, twenty-two operating battalions, and three shop battalions are being formed for use if needed in war.

Brilliant Record

The War Department dispatch stated: "Col. Carl R. Gray, Jr., now Executive Vice-President of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Omaha Railway Company, has been made manager of the Military Railway Service.

"A man well versed in the administration, economic, and technical details of railroad operation, acquired by much study and experience, Col. Gray heads a vital branch of War Department activity."

Col. Gray was number one man in his class at Western. He received his A. B. from the University of Illinois. He served with the "Frisco" system, the Oregon Electric Railway Company, the Spokane, Portland, and Seattle Railway Company, and the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy. In the World War he was a captain, serving as Rail Transportation Officer in the Southeastern Division. He has been promoted rapidly and is now a Colonel in the Corps of Engineers Reserve.

Barracks Will Be Renamed Pro Tem After Noted Grads

Barracks May Choose Name After Winning Competition

By Silverman, R.

It was recently announced that the barracks will be temporarily renamed after five Western graduates who have attained the rank of general. The barracks will be called "halls" in honor of these men.

It will all be a part of barracks competition. The barracks men will have their choice of the distinguished alumnus whom they wish to be named for.

At each Saturday inspection, those cadets who are "stuck" for deficiencies will receive certain demerits. Based on the ratio of demerits to the number of men in the barracks, each barracks will get a number of points. Every Saturday a barracks will win and select a name.

Names chosen for the "halls" are Randle, Hill, Dean, Collins, and Gray. For the next four weeks this contest will go on. The pictures of these men may be placed in the halls. Later, other grads may be honored.

Five Generals Chosen

Brig. General Edwin H. Randle, Class '13, now living at 503 Althea Road, Clearwater, Fla. He visited the Academy last October and received the Alumni Award from Col. R. B. Jackson.

Gen. Randle recently retired after 31 years of service. A graduate of De Pauw University, he became a second lieutenant of Infantry in 1917. He was wounded in the Meuse-Argonne Battle. In World War II, he was made a brigadier general in 1943 after the Tunisian campaign. He served as assistant Division Commander in the Pacific of the 77th Infantry Division. In 1946 he was named assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 Officer of the Second Army.

Maj. General William P. T. Hill, Class 14, who recently retired as Quartermaster of the Marine Corps after 38 years in the service. He kept the supplies and equipment going to the Marines and in his retirement commendation his service was called "outstanding" in World War II and the Korean War. He was cited as one of "the outstanding Supply Officers and Fiscal Directors in the United States Government." He originally came from Vinita, Okla.

Brig. General Fred M. Dean, Class '38, formerly of East St. Louis, became last fall at the age of thirty-seven the youngest general in the U. S. Air Force. He commands the Webb Air Force Base, Texas. Gen. Dean is also a graduate of West Point. In 1943 he commanded the 31st Fighter Group which had the highest number of combat kills in the European Theatre. Including his service if Africa and Sicily, he flew over 104 combat missions and 3400 hours of flying time. He accompanied President Roosevelt to Yalta and Cairo, and President Truman to Potsdam.

He was in the Pentagon for four years with Air Force War Plans Division.

Maj. General Carl R. Gray, Jr., Class '07, is one of Western's most loyal graduates. He has returned for reunions three times in the last six years and also delivered a commencement address. He is president of the Western Alumni Association. Gen. Gray, a graduate of the University of

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BARRACKS WILL BE RENAMED AFTER FAMOUS GRADUATES

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Illinois, was a prominent executive with several big railroad systems and was an expert in transportation. In World War II he became Director General of Military Railway Transportation in all of Africa and Europe. So well did he do his job of "keeping the wheels rolling" and furnishing efficient transportation for troops and supplies that he won outstanding honors. He later became head of the Veterans Administration of the U. S. Now retired, he is with the Cardy's Company, 1021 Third St., Hudson, Wisc. He plans to attend a 50th reunion of his class here in 1957.

Maj. General Harry J. Collins, Class '15, was the Commander of the famous Rainbow Division in World War II. He trained this unit and went overseas with it. Its history and reputation dated back to World War I. Gen. Collins attended the University of Chicago and graduated from many army schools and colleges. He was commissioned in the Infantry in 1917. In World War II he was a military observer with the British Army. He became Assistant Division Commander of the 99th Infantry Division. He then was in command of the 42nd Infantry, Rainbow Division, and served with that unit till 1945. Subsequent posts were an Austrian assignment, completed in 1948, Commanding General of Ft. Lewis, Washington, the 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Jackson, S. C., and the 88th Infantry Division. In 1952 he was Military Attache with the U. S. Embassy in Moscow. He then served as Commanding General of the 31st (Dixie) Division and of the 8th Infantry Division until his recent retirement. He has written several hand books for the services. Gen. Collins now is a vice-president of the American Van Lines with offices in Washington, D. C. His military career covered 37 years. A native of South Illinois, he delivered the commencement address at Western just before going overseas with the Rainbow Division.

Western Probably Has 1000 Graduates In Armed Services

This is not an Alumni Edition of the paper, but we cannot refrain from calling attention to the great record of Western grads in this war. Last spring when the Alumni "Shrapnel" was printed, 816 graduates were known to be in service, and that list was no doubt incomplete. Since the Class of '44 finished, that number has probably risen to 1000, for most of them joined some branch of service.

Every day the office of Western hears news of the brave exploits of former cadets in every theatre of war.

Lieut. Phil Bisch, '41, wounded by a Jap sniper in Saipan. Dave Lutz, '43, best man physically in his class, wounded in Normandy. Lieut. Frank Woosley, '41, taking part in three invasions with air-borne troops, and being injured twice. Kummer, '42, and Drosten, '43, winning decorations. The list could be extended indefinitely.

It is true that Western grads include six generals in the service. But from Maj. Gen. Harry Collins, '15, Commander of the Rainbow Division, on down to the lowest private—they are all doing their part gloriously on land, on sea, and in the air. Some are prisoners in the Pacific and in Europe. Around twenty-five of them have made the supreme sacrifice.

We remember the words of General Sebree last year. "I've met many Western men in the service. Not one has shown the white feather." And the words of General Collins at commencement, as he looked at the graduating class, "I'd be proud to have any of you serve with me." And then words of Lt. Col. Moore to the corps last year, "Few schools can equal the glorious record of Western graduates in this war."

And as the parade of distinguished alumni passes before our eyes—Lieut. Commander O'Hare, Brig. Gen. Carl

Lieut. Woosley, 1941, In Three Invasions With Paratroopers

Injured Twice, He still Longs For Action On The Front

First Lieut. Frank Woosley, Class '41, of Pinckneyville, Ill., has certainly had a lifetime of action crowded into a few months. His courage and determination are characteristic of so many Western grads who have distinguished themselves in this war. He has been in three invasions with the Paratroopers—in Sicily, in Italy, and in France. He has been injured twice.

But aword about Frank Woosley. He was at Western four years, graduating as a cadet captain. Because of his short, powerful build, his many friends called him "Stumper." Frank had a brilliant, all-round record. He was at the very top in scholarship, always on honor student. And what a football player! No one ever got through "Stumper" in the line. Combined with all of that, he was dependable, earnest, and serious about his work, but he loved his fun.

Knowing Woosley as a cadet, we can well understand his record in the Paratroopers. He dropped in Sicily and helped capture that island. When Italy was invaded, Lieut. Frank Woosley again was dropped behind the enemy lines in the dark to spear-head the attack. This time he received a broken leg. While recuperating, he was in charge of a captured Italian town, a sort of military mayor.

But Woosley chafed for action. When France was invaded, there was the "Stumper" again, in the vanguard of the fighting. Once more he plunged from the sky with his Paratroopers and scattered the Nazis in Europe. In one engagement, he was badly wounded, losing an eye and be-

Consider Plans For Senior Circle And Memorial Plaque

The Class of '43, '44, and '45 left money as their senior gifts to buy a memorial plaque which would contain the names of 1200 alumni who served in World War Two.

The Classes of '46 and '47 left sums for the "senior circle" project.

These two projects may be combined. The bronze memorial plaque has not yet been obtained, partly because of very high prices.

The Classes of '46 and '47 joined in providing funds for the "senior circle" on the south campus. This will be a spot sacred to seniors and alumni. The need for the project grew out of the senior campfire meetings which have been held for the past eight years. These meetings are the final social gathering of seniors on the last night of school before they take the alumni pledge.

Hari Van Hoefen, Western grad and architect of St. Louis, has drawn up plans for the "circle". The enclosed plot will be a place of architectural beauty and an appropriate setting for the war memorial. That is why the plans may be expanded and why the memorial plaque may be installed there.

Major Persing stated that the completed project may cost $5000.00. Future classes may be asked to support the "circle". However, the first phase will be completed by next September so that present seniors may have immediate use of it.

Ceremony On May 29 To Honor Over 1000 Western Alumni Who Served In Armed Forces During World War II

Grads Urged To Return For Reunion And Dedication Of Memorial Plaque On Campus

Western had over 1000 graduates in the service during World War II. It is this group of men who will be honored on Alumni Day, Saturday, May 29, with the Memorial Service and the Dedication of the Alumni Plaque, containing the names of all graduates who were in the armed forces.

For that reason, all old grads are urged to return for a reunion and for the memorial services. The ceremonies are scheduled for 2:00 Saturday afternoon, at which time all alumni will meet. This hour, instead of the usual 1:00 o'clock alumni luncheon, will enable a larger crowd to be present.

Plaque Gift Of '43, '44, '45

The plaque is a gift from the Classes of '43, '44, and '45, who left funds upon their graduation for this memorial. The officers of those classes were: 1943—Barker (since graduated from Annapolis), president; Bill Block, vice-president; Bob Albiez, secretary; Jules Raith, treasurer; Bob Gilason, historian; and Ted Dahlin, sgt.-at-arms; 1944—John Porter, president; Don Bohlmann, vice-president; Buddy Knowles, secretary; Dean Harrington, treasurer; and Bob Berg, sgt.-at-arms; 1945—Charles Eberle, president; Don Monnier, vice-president; Charles Peters, secretary; Alexis Hartmann, historian; and Ray Gottfried, sgt.-at-arms.

The Alumni Plaque will probably be placed upon one of the stone pillars of the Albert M. Jackson Memorial Gate, where a similar bronze tablet containing the names of graduates who were in World War I is already located. The program for the dedication ceremony is now being planned. Short speeches by an alumnus and by a member of the present cadet corps will be made. Later the alumni will review the dress parade which the 320 cadets of the W. M. A. battalion will hold in their honor.

Alumni War Record Brilliant

Western graduates in World War II made a record of which the whole school is justly proud. As Maj. General Harry Collins, Commander of the Rainbow Division, himself a member of the Class of '15, said at commencement in 1944, "I would be glad to serve with any Western man. He will never let you down."

The list of alumni included top officers, such as General Collins, '15, and General Carl Gray, '07, (and several others of the rank of general) on down to privates in the rear rank. They were in every branch of the service. The Classes of '41, '42, '43, and '44 stepped into the armed forces almost en masse after graduation. In fact, all senior classes of the past twenty years had large numbers in the recent war. Some grads crashed into the spot-light and won world-wide fame, such as Commander Edward "Butch" O'Hare, '32, hero of the Coral Sea and winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, and Col. Paul W. Tibbets, '33, pilot of the first atomic bomb plane over Hiroshima. Others, by the fortunes of war, played their obscure but heroic roles without ever making newspaper headlines. All of them did their parts honorably and well. Over fifty alumni made the supreme sacrifice and gave their lives in the service of their country.

School Proud Of Grads

Western is proud of every one of these graduates—of high rank or low, famous or obscure. It is for them that the Memorial Service is to be held. Their names have been inscribed upon the permanent Alumni Plaque.

Since the war is over, many old grads should be able to return. It may be their first and last opportunity for many years to mingle with their Western classmates in such large numbers. Various classes will no doubt assemble their own parties for the reunion.

Following the alumni exercises of the afternoon of Saturday, May 29, the brilliant commencement ball will be held that evening at 8:30. Graduates and their wives and sweethearts are cordially invited to attend this dance.

Memorial Gateway Is Gift Of Alumni

The Memorial Gateway erected by Western alumni as a tribute to Col. Albert Matthews Jackson, who so wisely guided the school for many years, is one of the most beautiful spots on the campus. The stone pillars surmounted by carved eagles make an impressive entrance to the grounds. One pillar bears a bronze tablet containing the names of cadets who served in the World War and the other a bronze plaque upon which is inscribed a tribute to Col. A. M. Jackson.

Alumni started collecting funds for this memorial shortly after the World War. It was made possible by their gifts. The gateway was dedicated on June 9, 1934, with appropriate ceremonies at the annual commencement.

During warm months, a bed of flowers and shrubbery add beauty to the entrance.

Alumni Plaque Is Placed—Ready For Unveiling, May 29th

The Alumni Memorial Plaque containing the names of Western grads who served in World War II has arrived and has been placed on the side of the entrance to the Administration Building underneath the clock, a gift of a former senior class. The plaque faces the campus toward the commandant's office.

At present, the big bronze tablet is veiled. It will be unveiled and dedicated at the feature ceremony of Alumni Day, Saturday, May 29, at 2:15 P. M. Special invitations have been sent to all graduates to return for those exercises, and the largest crowd of former cadets in the history of Western is expected for the reunion.

Maj. Gen. Doan To Be Weekend Guest Of Col. Jackson

Was PMST At Western After Graduating From West Point

By Gary Mueller

Major General L. L. Doan and Mrs. Doan will be the guests of Col. and Mrs. R. B. Jackson over the weekend.

General Doan was PMST at Western for four years, starting in 1935, shortly after his graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. He came here as a lieutenant but was promoted to captain before leaving. He was a most efficient PMST, and, as he was a member of the Olympic Riding Team, he developed horseback riding as a popular sport at W.M.A.

During World War II, General Doan, then a colonel, distinguished himself by leading a tank unit across Europe as a part of Gen. Eisenhower's invasion of Europe.

General Doan is now in charge of all armor in the U.S. forces, with headquarters at Fort Monroe.

The General's visit is strictly unofficial. He will arrive late Saturday afternoon. He has expressed a desire to renew acquaintenances with faculty officers whom he knew during his tenure here.

Col. L. L. Doan, Who Led Tank Unit, Is Visitor At School

A welcome visitor to Western on August 4 was Col. L. L. Doan, who commanded a 43rd tank regiment in the 3rd Armored Division from the time it landed in France to the surrender of Germany. He was back in the States on a 30-day leave and was on his way to visit his family in Texas.

Col. Doan, then a Lieutenant not long out of West Point, was P. M. S. and T. at Western from the fall of '35 to the spring of '40. He was one of the most popular and efficient Army officers ever detailed here. Military training reached a high peak under him, and, being a former Olympic riding star, he developed horsemanship at Western.

Col. Doan and the 3rd Armored Division had a spectacular career in Europe. They were first in so many actions that a book was issued about them entitled, "Call Me Spearhead." Col. Doan led the first U. S. troops into Cologne. The division was first to cross the German border. Col. Doan's unit was the first to breach the Siegfried Line. The famous division kept up its irresistable exploits until Germany surrendered.

Col. Doan was looking fine—a typical, seasoned, rugged officer, showing few traces of his experiences in Europe, other than the decorative ribbons he was wearing. Those who heard his accounts of epic experiences

Col. Doan With 3rd Armored Division, Spearhead Of Army

The 3rd Armored Division, commanded by Maj. Gen. Maurice Rose, has won such fame in Europe that the "Stars and Stripes" recently issued a booklet titled, "Call Me Spearhead," telling of the heroic feats of that unit. One of the commanders of a tank force in that division is Lt. Col. Leander L. Doan, who was P. M. S. and T. at Western from 1935-36 to 1939-40 and who is still remembered as one of the best and most rugged army officers ever detailed here. At that time, he was a lieutenant.

The 3rd Armored Division from the time it landed in France has been "first" in many operations and has spearheaded the drive all the way across France into Germany.

Some of the exploits listed:

FIRST division unit to cross German border, Sept. 2, 1944.

FIRST to take a German town, Roetgen, in this war, Sept. 13, 1944.

FIRST to breach the Siegfried Line. This was done by Lt. Col. Doan's task force near Scheidmuchle, Germany, Sept. 13, 1944.

FIRST to shoot down an enemy plane from German soil, Sept. 18, 1944.

FIRST to fire an artillery shell at German soil, Sept. 10, 1944.

FIRST American division to pierce completely the Siegfried Line, Sept. 15, 1944.

FIRST to invade Germany since Napoleon.

And recently, since the booklet was published, this division was the first to subdue Coblenz. Troops entering Coblenz found a sign, as recounted in last week's "Life", stating "By Courtesy of the 3rd Armored Division." Col. Doan himself placed that sign in the streets of the captured city.

Truly this division was a spearhead that opened the way across France, in bitter fighting, to crash finally the de-

Maj. Gen. Doan Spends Weekend At Western With Son

Major Gen. L. L. Doan, now head of all armored units of the U.S. Army, spent the weekend of February 1st and 2nd here at Western with his son, Cadet Bill Doan, who is a Senior.

Gen. Doan came during the weekend of the heavy, 11-inch snow. His plane was delayed out of Washington, and he did not reach Western till 9:00 p.m. on Saturday. He spent most of the time with his son, had breakfast with the cadets Sunday morning, and left at 1:00 p.m. for the airport in St. Louis to resume his flight west.

While here, Gen. Doan was the guest of Col. and Mrs. R. B. Jackson. He was PMST here from 1935 to 1938 just after he graduated from West Point. He was one of the best army officers ever detailed here, and, as a former member of the Olympic Riding Team, he brought horsemanship to its peak at Western and made hosts of friends in the St. Louis area. After a brilliant record in World War II as commander of an armored force in the invasion of Europe, he has advanced to his present eminent position.

Maj. Gen. Doan, Former PMS, Dies At Age Of 59

Major General Leander L. Doan, Retired, former Chief of Armor of the U. S. Continental Army Command, died early in April at Walter Reed Medical Center following a 3-month illness. He was 59. After retiring in 1961, he was appointed assistant to the manager of FMC Corporation's division of International Operations in Washington.

Born in Los Angeles, Gen. Doan graduated from the U. S. Mililtary Academy in 1927. He served as Professor of Military Science at Western four years from 1935 to 1939. He had been a member of the Olympic Riding Team, and at the Academy he developed horsemanship to a high degree. In those days the annual W.M.A. horse show attracted several thousand spectators and the best riders in the surrounding area. He was also a rugged and efficient Head of the Military Department.

His son, William Franklin Doan, graduated from Western in 1958.

Gen. Doan was wounded twice in World War II and received such decorations as the Distinguished Service Cross, Legion of Merit, and Bronze Star. He commanded brilliantly an armored unit in the invasion of Europe.

The General also graduated from the General Staff School and the National War College. From 1953 he served as Commanding General of the 2nd Armored Division in Europe. He was also Chief of Armor of the Continental Army Command before he became Commanding General of all U. S. Army forces in Formosa. He was a member of the 1st and 2nd Armored Division Associates and an honorary president of the 3rd Armored Division Association.

Gen Doan lived at Silver Spring. He is survived by his wife, Greta, and a daughter, Barbara Stout, of Hartford, Conn.

Gen. Doan was a lieutenant and later a captain while serving as PMS at Western. Though he went on to achieve fame and greatness, he never forgot the many friends that he made here.

GENERAL DOAN GREETS OLD FRIENDS — General Doan meets old acquaintances at Western. From left, Lt. Col. Persing, Col. Moore, Maj. Gen Doan, Col. R. B. Jackson, Maj. C. B. Jackson (who was a student under Gen. Doan), Lt. Col. Persing. He knew them when he was PMST here, 1935-39.

Courtesy of Alton Evening Telegraph

CAPT. L. L. DOAN IN SERIOUS ACCIDENT

About two weeks before the opening of school, a horse fell with Capt. L. L. Doan at the Bridle Spur Club in St. Louis. Capt. Doan, who is head of the military department at Western, received a severe shock and had to go to the hospital for a while, but he recovered in time to resume his duties here when school began.

NOW IT'S CAPT. DOAN

Shortly after school closed last spring Lieut. L. L. Doan, P. M. S. and T. at Western, was promoted to the rank of Captain in the U. S. Army. Capt. Doan is a graduate of West Point, class '27, and is in charge of military work and equitation here.

Capt. Doan Raised To Rank Of Major

Word has been received from Capt. L. L. Doan, former P. M. S. and T. at Western, that he has been promoted to the rank of Major in the U. S. Army. Major Doan is now on duty with the 10th Cavalry, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

Major Doan mentioned the great increase in numbers at the Ft. Leavenworth post. He stated that his young son, Bill, is getting along fine .He says that he reads the "Shrapnel" with much interest and that he hopes that Western will have a good corps and a good riding team this year.

Major Doan during his service at W. M. A. from 1935 to 1939, really placed horsemanship among the important sports of the school.

The "Shrapnel" extends congratulations upon his recent promotion.

BILL DOAN, '58, TO GET PH.D. DEGREE; IS NOW MARRIED

William F. "Bill" Doan, '58, is married and is doing graduate work for his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology at the University of Texas. He is doing outstanding work. His address at home—267 E. Rosewood, San Antonio, Tex.

Bill Doan's father was the late Major General L. L. Doan, former Chief of Armor, U. S. Army, who had such a distinguished record in command of an armored unit during the invasion of France in World War II. General Doan, as a young officer just out of West Point and a member of the Olympic Riding Team, was PMS at Western for four years, starting in 1935.

Greetings

To Fellow Alumni In The Armed Services

Fifteen months have passed since I last greeted you in an Alumni Directory in December, 1942. These months have been both sad and glorious. Sad in the increasing number of our friends from Western who have made the supreme sacrifice for God, for honor, and for country. Sad in our brave companions who are languishing in foreign prison camps, and those who have suffered wounds, hardships, and dangers.

But this is by no means the complete story. The past fifteen months have been glorified by the heroic deeds of our fellow alumni through their superior accomplishments on land, on sea, and in the air, and by the loyal, faithful, and efficient service which they have rendered and are rendering for this country.

Recent official records prove that no military academy or military junior college has produced more Generals that has our own school. Thanks to you and you and you, Western graduates stand high on the role of national heroes, in the military ranks that they hold, in their leadership, and in their courage. With profound respect and admiration I salute you one and all.

Surely there was some fine spirit that you brought as boys to the Western campus. Perhaps, too, there were certain qualities of character acquired here which have made this record possible. Your Alma Mater, the War Department, and the Nation have learned to expect superior performance from Western alumni. May God help you always to live up to the fine traditions that you have established. May He keep you safe and sound, and may you soon return to your home and loved ones.

R. L. JACKSON
Class '06

WESTERN'S SERVICE RECORD (To December 15)

Rank	Army	A. Air Corps	Marines	Total
Brigadier General	4			4
Colonel	5		1	6
Lieutenant Colonel	10	2	1	13
Major	11		1	12
Captain	24	14		38
First Lieutenant	45	23	2	70
Second Lieutenant	67	13	1	81
Officer Candidate	9	16	2	27
Sergeant	21	8	1	30
Corporal	11	2	2	15
Private	60	24	7	91
				387

Rank	Navy	N. Air Corps		Total
Captain				
Commander	2			2
Lieutenant Commander	4	1		5
Lieutenants (S. G. & J. G.)	15	1		16
Ensign	8	4		12
Officer Cadets	7	3		10
Non-Com. Officers	5			5
Seamen	14	2		16
				76
			Grand Total	463

Lt. C. L. Martin, '31, Cited For Rescuing Soldier Under Fire

First Lieut. Charles Lee Martin, '31, of Canton, Ill., was recently congratulated by Maj. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, commanding general of the 90th Infantry Division, upon his receipt of the Soldier's Medal at a ceremony at Luxembourg. Lieut. Martin received the award for rescuing one of his men from drowning while under intense fire.

Lieut. Martin landed in France on June 7. He has won many decorations, including the ETO ribbon with three battle stars, the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman's Badge, and Bronze Star.

After graduating from Western, he finished his college course at Dartmouth. He was auditor with the A. and P. Company and lived in Des Moines.

His wife and daughter are now staying with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lee Martin of Canton, Ill. Mr. Martin is also a W. M. A. grad, Class '06, and is one of Col. Jackson's best friends.

LAZ PEARA, '42, FORMER CADET MAJOR, WOUNDED

News has come that Lieut. Lazarus Theodore Peara, Cadet Major and Honor Graduate of the Class of '42, has been severely wounded in Europe on the Western Front and has been cited for his outstanding service. His home is in Chicago.

"Laz", barely 5 ft. 2 in. tall, was a human dynamo at Western, a star lineman on the grid team, a champion wrestler, and an honor student. This tough, energetic, capable lad won his commission at Ft. Benning, and joined two other Peara boys, both former cadets, in the service of his country. He possessed fine qualities of leadership and has been an outstanding soldier.

Capt. Winkelmeyer, Class '36, Killed In Action By Japanese

Former Peoria Cadet Loses Life In South Pacific Attack

Capt. Robert E. Winkelmeyer, Class '36, 1114 Bigelow St., Peoria, Ill., was reported killed in action in the South Pacific on October 20. Serving as a liason pilot or reconnaissance officer for an artillery unit, he was on a mission when killed during a Japanese attack.

Donald Kottler, '43, Killed In Action In Italy, July 15

Word was received at Western this week that former Cadet Donald David Kottler, Class '43, of Michigan City, Indiana, was killed in action on July 15, somewhere in Italy near the city of Pisa.

Don entered the service last year and trained at Camp Wheeler for three months. He applied for overseas duty and left last March 17. After serving in Italy with the 351st Rangers in the thick of the fight, he had a rest period near Rome. When he returned to the battle, he was killed shortly after.

Don was a cadet at Western four years and was a fine, outstanding boy. Level-headed, friendly, and reliable, he was very popular with cadets and faculty. He was excellent in military work and graduated as a staff sergeant. He starred in athletics, especially in soccer, and played varsity football. He was consistently an honor student in academics. Don belonged to the Thespians, the Art Club, and the "Recall" staff. He drew some of the cartoons for the 1943 yearbook. He had charge of the makeup for the 1943 Senior Play.

Don Kottler had a record at Western that was without blemish. He threw himself whole-heartedly into the activities of the school. He evidently gave the same loyalty and energy to the armed forces.

We think that the words of his sister, Miss Janice Lucille Kottler, sum up the life of this splendid young man, "We know Don had no regrets, for he died in the service of his country."

Commander Fulmer, Class '29, Missing

Comamnder Herbert S. Fulmer, Jr., Class of '29, has been reported missing in action aboard an aircraft carrier, according to informtion received by his parents at Mehlville, Mo. No details were provided in the notification sent by the Navy Department. Before serving on an aircraft carrier Commander Fulmer was located at Maiquetia, Venzuela, instructing Naval officers in the Escuela Navy and teaching Spanish.

Herbert Fulmer graduated from Western as a sergeant. He played basketball, baseball and football, but his outstanding sport was boxing, in which he was the champion. After leaving Western, he attended Annapolis, where he also excelled as a boxer.

LT. ED KUMMER, 1942, GERMAN PRISONER, IS GIVEN BRONZE STAR

The St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" last Saturday stated that 2nd Lieut. Edgar H. Kummer, 9332 Racquet Drive, St. Louis, has been awarded the Bronze Star. He was previously reported missing, but is now known to be a prisoner of war in Germany.

Lieut. Kummer was one of the most prominent Western graduates of the Class of '42. He was captain of "B" Company, captain of the football team, president of the "W" Club, business manager of the "Recall", chairman of the Senior Dance Committee, treasurer of his class, secretary of the Club 400, and winner of letters in "A", "B", and "C" football, basket ball, and baseball. He was in the Senior Play and belonged to the Art Club. Kummer was tops in academic, athletic, and military activities. The "Recall" said, "Ed was the keystone of his class."

GEORGE MAYER, '43, NOW IN ICELAND

Word has been received that George Mayer of Indianapolis, Ind., Class '43, is now serving with the U. S. Quartermaster Department in Iceland.

George spent six months in training at Camp Lee, Va., but the officers' candidate school there closed because of an over-supply of officers. He went to Iceland the last week in February. He writes that he likes his work with the Quartermaster Department and that he has had some wonderful experiences in Iceland. He keeps up with Western news through the "Shrapnel" and has subscribed for a 1944 "Recall."

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Staff Sgt. Hubbs, '31, Dies In Action In Italy, Jan. 26

Was Member Of 83rd Chemical Battalion In Africa And Sicily

Staff Sergeant Joshua Bennett Hubbs, Class '31, of Jacksonville, Ill., is the latest Western graduate to lay down his life for his country. He was killed in action in Italy on January 26. He had been in the service almost two years and had been overseas ten months. He was in the campaigns of Africa and Sicily before going to Italy with General Patton's troops.

Sgt. Hubbs was born at Prentice, Ill., in 1910. He graduated from Western in '31 and attended Racine College, Racine, Wis. He enlisted in the armed forces on March 3, 1942. At Camp Gordon, Ga., he became a Staff Sergeant of supplies in Company H, 83rd Chemical Battalion. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Frances Hubbs, 1039 W. State St., Jacksonville, Ill., by his mother, Mrs. J. H. Hubbs, and one sister.

Sgt. Hubbs was at Western four years. He was remembered by all classmates for a sunny disposition and his unquestioned loyalty to the school. After graduation, he was always eager to help advance Western in any way possible. As a cadet, he was active in student life, being on the "B" basket ball team, the glee club, the rifle team, and the dramatic club.

Sgt. Hubbs enlisted in the service. He cheerfully gave his loyal support to all his duties. His record in the army was one of efficiency and honor. The "Shrapnel" salutes him for his devotion, his patriotic sacrifice, and his courage.

Lt. R. B. Secord, '33, Dies In Air Crash

Another Western alumnus, 2nd Lieut. Robert B. Secord, Class '33, whose home was at 3220 Cambridge Road, Detroit, Mich., was killed recently when a four-motored bomber crashed near Madill, Okla., causing the death of ten Army men. The plane was on a flight from the air base at Salina, Kans.

Lieut. Secord was 27 years old. After graduating from Western, he received his degree from Washington and Lee University. He was associated with Sears, Roebuck and Co. in Cleveland until he enlisted in the Air Corps in November, 1941. He received his silver navigator wings last November at the Air Corps Navigator School, Hondo, Texas.

Lieut. Secord is survived by his mother, a sister, and his wife, Jackie, whom he married in Cleveland last August. His father, the late Arthur C. Secord, was a buyer for the Kresge Stores in Detroit.

Norman Willey, '36, Decorated By Gen. Douglas MacArthur

Norman Willey, Class '36, of Alton, Ill., was recently decorated by General MacArthur in Australia for unusual heroism and courage. A plane crashed and burst into flames. In spite of the fire and exploding shells, Willey dashed in and bore the pilot to safety, thus saving his life. This action won General MacArthur's praise and the decoration.

Big, lanky Norman Willey is well remembered at Western as a star football end and as an outstanding weight man in track. He was a tough, courageous athlete. After graduation, he attended Purdue University and studied engineering.

Lt. F. M. Pearce, '42, Wounded In Sicily, Returns For Visit

Young Veteran Gives Vivid Account Of Experiences To Cadet Corps

A year and a half ago, in the spring of 1942, Francis M. Pearce, Jr., received his diploma, saluted the audience, and went forth to join the U. S. Army. The quiet, friendly, and efficient Pearce from Ballinger, Texas, left a host of friends at Western.

This week he returned to Western, Lieut. Francis Pearce, not yet twenty-one years old but a seasoned veteran of Africa and Sicily. He had just been released from the hospital, where he had recovered from wounds received in Sicily. He will probably be placed on the retired list because of his wounds. Pearce looked very much the same to his old friends—more mature, more serious. He stayed with Maj. and Mrs. Persing on his visit here.

After he had gone through the African campaign unhurt, though his company suffered heavy losses, he took part in the conquering of Sicily. When pressed to tell of his wounding, he said: "We had been fighting for over two days and nights with practically no sleep, pushing the Germans back. Our supplies had been lost and we were without blankets. Finally, near Messina, we captured German equipment, including many blankets, and we were allowed to rest. I picked up several blankets, glad of a chance to get some sleep. I had rolled myself up in three of them and was dozing off, when a German shell exploded within a few feet of me. Bursting fragments penetrated the blankets into my side and legs."

Talks In Assembly

On December 8, Col. Jackson introduced Lieut. Pearce in chapel, and he made an unforgettable speech before the cadet corps. He emphasized that

Sgt. Don Hale, '43, Wins More Honors As Aerial Gunner

A War Department news release from the Eighth Air Force Bomber Station, England, states that an Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Air Medal of Sergeant Donald P. Hale for "courage, coolness, and skill" while participating in bombing missions to German industrial and military targets in the Reich.

Sgt. Hale is a waist gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress in the 385th Bombardment Group commanded by Col. George Y. Jumper.

The honors won by Sgt. Don Hale, Class '43 of Western, are no surprise to his friends here. Many times Don proved his courage as an outstanding star in football, basket ball, and baseball. He won the award for the finest performance in the Thanksgiving game. After graduation from Western, he was employed by the Hale Hardware and Supply Company, East Alton. He married the former Miss Dallas Fuller of East Alton. He entered the AAF in 1943 and received his Aerial Gunnery wings at Kingman, Arizona, in March, 1944. His father, Mr. L. H. Hale, lives in Alton.

CAPTAIN ROTH, 1941, WOUNDED IN EUROPE

St. Louis newspapers stated last week that Capt. John David Roth had been wounded in Europe. No particulars were given.

Capt. Roth, 5337 Delmar, St. Louis, graduated from Western in 1941 as Cadet Major. He was president of the "W" Club and of the Glee Club and a varsity letter winner in both track and football. He headed the Senior Dance Committee and was on the "Recall" staff. He was voted the most respected cadet.

The following year Roth returned to W. M. A. as a tactical officer and married Miss Marie Gebelein, then assistant dietitian. He soon entered the service and won decorations for bravery in Italy.

Otto Dickmann, '42, Killed In Action

Pfc. Otto J. Dickmann, Jr., U. S. Infantry, was killed on January 28, 1945, on the Island of Luzon, according to St. Louis papers. No details of his death were given.

Otto was a hard-working, highly respected member of the Class of '42. He was engaged in many sports during four years at Western and won Junior Varsity letters in football, basket ball, and swimming. He was also a member of the Art Club and of the Senior Dance Committee. He was a sergeant in the battalion.

Dickmann has been in the Army almost three years and has been in the Pacific area for over a year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto J. Dickmann of St. Louis.

Otto Dickmann's death in the service of his country brings home the war anew to Western. So recently he was a member of the cadet corps, and if there is one word that described him that is the term "a gentleman." Several instructors remarked that this friendly, slender, blue-eyed boy was the most courteous and polite cadet in their classes. His attitude was one of goodwill toward everybody. It is the irony of war that such kindly persons must make the supreme sacrifice.

The "Shrapnel" on behalf of the cadet corps honors Otto Dickmann's memory, pays tribute to his character, and extends sympathy to his family.

ENSIGN L. DITTO, '38, IS SAVED FROM TORPEDOED U. S. SHIP, "THE PECOS"

As we go to press, a letter to Capt. Gould brings news of Ensign Lanson Ditto of Paducah, Ky., Class '38. His mother wrote from San Francisco, Calif., where she is visiting him.

Ensign Ditto was on the "Langley", aircraft tender which was sunk by the Japs. He was transferred to the "Pecos", which in turn was also torpedoed. He was rescued, however, and is resting in San Francisco. In the battle he received a slight shrapnel wound and burns on his feet. The burns resulted from his standing on a hot deck, firing a machine gun.

Mrs. Ditto wrote, "He made the same kind of sailor as he was a football player." That is saying a great deal, for Ditto was one of the toughest, most courageous linemen ever to play at Western.

At present, Mrs. Ditto states that Lanson is chafing to receive orders to go back on duty. He hopes to be assigned to a destroyer, which is the type of duty he wanted in the first place.

Papers Call Ensign Lanson Ditto Hero Of Pacific Battle

Western Grad Encourages Men As They Swim Seven Hours In Sea

Paducah, Ky., papars call Lanson Ditto, Class '38, a hero of the disaster when the aircraft tender, Langley, and the naval tanker, Pecos, were sunk in Pacific waters by the Japs. Ensign Ditto was a former football and swimming star at Western.

Ditto was anti-aircraft fire control officer on the Langley when three waves of Jap bombers, nine in each wave, flew over and scored five direct hits. When the ship was sinking, Ditto dived from the flight deck. He was rescued by the Pecos.

The Pecos, in turn, was attacked and sunk. Ditto kept afloat in the water for seven and one-half hours by means of a life belt, though he had received shrapnel wounds and some burns from bomb flashes. Finally he was picked up by a destroyer. Two-thirds of the men on the Langley and Pecos were lost.

It was while he was floating in the water that Ensign Ditto helped keep up the spirits of the survivors, according to their report as stated in the "New York Times." It was said of him, "Ensign Ditto was a little dynamo of energy. He and other officers cheered the men up, kept us together, and kidded us about how much liberty we'd have the next time in port. Why, 75 or 100 of us floating there in the water were interested for an hour at Ditto's antics as he played with a dead flying fish."

Thus we have another heroic story of a Western grad in this war. Ditto is at present resting in San Francisco, where he is being visited by his mother and sister.

Lt. Dudley Atkins, '41, Dies Of Wounds In South Pacific

On July 16 it was announced that Lieut. Dudley T. Atkins, Class '41 of Western, died of wounds received in action in the South Pacific. No details were given by the War Department message.

Lieut. Atkins was only 21 years old and had been in service overseas since October, 1942. His home was at 5369 Maple Ave., St. Louis, and his father, Mr. George T. Atkins, was vice-president of the M. K. & T. Railroad. Lt. Atkins is also survived by his young wife, Mrs. Billy Willis Atkins of 6327 Sutherland Ave., St. Louis.

Lieut. "Dud" Atkins, a cadet at Western for four years until only two years ago, was known and esteemed by many present cadets. He received his reserve commission at Fort Custer, Michigan, in 1940, and entered the service soon after his graduation in '41. He and Lieut. Jack Griffith, Clayton, Mo., also of '41, went across together to fight the Japs. Atkins had a successful career at Western. He gained scholastic honors and graduated a lieutenant. He was very popular because of his wit and pleasing personality. He managed the rifle team and was on the "Shrapnel" staff four years. He joins the ranks of Western's heroic grads who have given their lives for their country in this present war.

Lt. Robt. Hardy, '30, Killed In Germany

1st Lt. Robert Hardy, '30, was killed in action on the Roer river in Germany, November 30, 1944, according to word received from the War Department. Twice previously he had been wounded. When killed, he was serving with the Fifth Armored division.

He entered service May 12, and after being promoted to corporal and sergeant, was sent to officers' training school at Fort Knox, Ky., where he was commissioned. He went overseas in January, 1944.

He was an expert marksman while at Western. After graduating, he attended Knox College. He was the son of Attorney and Mrs. Guy B. Hardy, of Galesburg. His wife, Martha Wier Hardy, and their two-year-old son reside in Abingdon, Ill.

CAPT. H. H. STARK, '25, COMMENDED FOR WORK IN ITALIAN THEATER

The following army dispatch to the "Shrapnel" tells of the work of Capt. H. H. Stark, Class '25, in Italy.

FIFTEENTH ARMY AIR FORCES IN ITALY. Captain Howard H. Stark, husband of Mrs. Eleanore L. Stark and formerly of 7833 Stanford Ave., University City, Mo., a staff officer with a 15th AAF B-24 group in Italy, was recently commended for his work in the construction of a War Room for his group.

Captain Stark took a personal interest in the construction and has made the project one of the most successful to be found anywhere overseas. He has installed not only the essential necessities but has also made it appear attractive to further stimulate interest in it and the affairs of the world. Regular news resumes are given by the Captain and his aides, as well as possible results from movements on all war fronts. Being in the European Theater does not limit his work to that theater alone but instead, he is an authority on conditions and situations with both ground and air forces throughout the world.

A former supervisor for the Shanty Shops Inc. in New York City, Captain Stark entered the army in August, 1941, when he was commissioned a second lieutenant. He has been overseas since last March.

Lieut. Gerald Kadet, Class '39, Killed In China Plane Crash

S. R. Kadet of Chicago, a student here last year, was a visitor on Thanksgiving. He brought the sad news that his brother, 1st Lieut. Gerald M. Kadet, Class '39, was killed in an airplane crash in the line of duty in China, August, 1945. He was a pilot in the Air Corps.

"Jerry" Kadet is well remembered at Western. Full of fun and a brilliant student, he was prominent in many activities. He won "B" and "C" grid letters, and was the star backstroke man on the swimming team. He belonged to the Senior Dance Committee and had a leading role in the Senior Play. Everyone at Western regrets the loss of this splendid young man.

Frank Woosley, '41, Tells Of Parachute Jump Into Sicily

Lieut. Frank Woosley, 41, of Pinckneyville, Ill., was one of the first 100 Paratroopers to land in Sicily when the Allies started their invasion. His group paved the way for the landings which followed. After the capture of Sicily, he was made mayor of one of the towns for a while. The inhabitants were friendly, and his hardest job was looking after the distribution of food to the almost starved natives.

Many cadets here now remember "Stump" Woosley. He was a brilliant honor student, Captain of "C" Company, a star lineman on two Red Raider varsity elevens, an outstanding golfer, a letter man in basket ball, athletic editor of the "Recall," and a member of the Senior Dance Committee.

Woosley must have learned to write as well as fight, for the following thrilling paragraph from a letter home gives a vivid account of his sensations just before he leaped from his plane:

"I can now tell you that I jumped into Sicily. That night will always remain vividly in my memory. We got into the planes just before sunset in Africa. As we flew along and night set in, an almost full moon arose and the African coast and the Mediterranean Sea were very beautiful. As I stood in the open door, feeling the cool rush of wind in my face and watching the rest of the planes in formation, it seemed that all I could think of was home. Little incidents would occur to me that I hadn't even thought of for years. We rode along for a few hours, and it got rather chilly.

"Finally the plane chief told me that the pilot said we would be there in half an hour. So I waited, watching mostly the moon on the sea. The

Carl Helmstetter, Class '38, Is Killed In Plane Accident

Was Honor Graduate And Went Through West Point; Won Wings Recently

Word was received last week that Second Lieutenant Carl Helmstetter, Jr., of the Army Air Forces, a Western graduate of the Class of '38, was killed in the line of duty near Moore Field, Mission, Texas, less than a week after he had received his wings His death occurred during a routine flight on Friday, December 18.

He had left Moore Field in a fast pursuit plane, and, when he was reported missing, his body was found near his wrecked plane not far from the field. According to reports, Lieut. Helmstetter had bailed out of his ship, evidently because of some kind of trouble. Apparently, he had been struck on the head by the propeller in some manner unknown.

An Outstanding Cadet

Carl Helmstetter, whose home was at Dermot, Ark., is remembered at Western as one of the most brilliant and lovable cadets of recent years. Tall, handsome, with crisp black hair and a flashing smile, he was esteemed by faculty and fellow students. During three years, he won honors in every phase of school life. He played end on the varsity football team, was captain of the tennis team, and was an all-round track star. He was an honor student and was named the Honor Graduate of the class, winning an appointment to West Point. He was on the "Recall" staff, the Senior Dance Committee, and the Glee Club.

Helmstetter continued his brilliant record at West Point. He played end on the Army eleven and was a member of the cadet choir. Upon graduating from the U. S. Military Academy in 1942, he was married to Miss Virginia Houston of Kansas City last May 31. He entered the Air Corps, took his preliminary training at Pine Bluff, Ark., last summer, and received his wings at Moore Field, Texas, a few days before his fatal accident.

Honored at Western

Lieut. Helmstetter was 23 years old at the time of his death. He is survived by his parents and sister, members of a prominent Arkansas family, in addition to his young wife.

Maj. Wirt Butler, '18, Leads Force Which Clears Guadalcanal

He Shakes Hands With Other U. S. Officer As They Meet After Jap Rout

Twenty-five years ago, a Western cadet received his diploma and stepped out into the world during World War I. Last week this same cadet, now Major H. Wirt Butler of the U. S. Army, led the advance guard of the troops that entered Tenamba village, completing the encircling movement which marked the final and utter defeat of the Jap forces on Guadalcanal.

Newspapers tell the dramatic story of how American units closed in on the last stronghold of the Nipponese. As the last village was "cleaned up," two American forces approached from opposite sides. One was led by Major Butler. When the two detachments met in the center of the ruined village of Tenamba, now containing only dead Japs, Major Butler shook hands with the other commander while the soldiers cheered. Thus a Western grad led an Illinois unit which finally completed the rout of the foe on Guadalcanal.

Unit Is Praised

The St. Louis newspapers state that Major Butler's infantry made the final thrust which trapped the enemy. This unit received a large part of the credit for ending the battle on the island. The regiment had previously won distinction by capturing Mount Austen early in January.

Major General Alexander M. Patch commanded the U. S. forces on Guadalcanal. He was aided by Brig. General Ed Eebree, former P. M. S. and T. of Western. The "Shrapnel" recently told of General Sebree's picture appearing in "Life". It must have been "old home week" when former Western boys got together on the island.

Major Wirt Butler lived at Springfield, Ill., when he attended Western. He made a great record at the Academy. He was the star 440-yard man on the track team, halfback on the football team, and a champion boxer. He became a cadet officer. Later he was with the Bell Telephone Company at Rock Island, Ill., and he took his officers' course in Chicago.

Dutch Dahlin, '43, Has Fun With Tank Destroyer Outfit

Ted "Dutch" Dahlin, '43, of Chicago, co-captain of last year's grid team and baseball and basket ball star, is now with the Tank Destroyer Center at Camp Hood, Texas.

He writes Lieut. Block:

"You can't imagine the hardships in the beautiful, sunny state of Texas. It's sunny all right, 130 degrees of sun, but a little sun never could stop a Dahlin. It stops a lot of fellows though who pass out from sun-stroke. All our water is potent with salt. . . . .

"I feel better than I've ever felt, have gained ten pounds, and am as tough as nails. . . . . .

"We have one of the toughest obstacle courses in the country. You walk eight miles to get there, but you don't stop. You run right through the whole thing. You crawl under 100 yards of barbed wire that rips your clothes to shreds. While you're crawling, one foot over your head machine bullets are singing. That's to keep you down. You are supposed to capture the thing.

"We have a Nazi town which we are supposed to capture. It has stores, churches, and everything. I have a sub-machine gun, which makes it all the more fun. Cardboard images appear in windows, around corners, in fox-holes, every place. I'm supposed to hit them. I just spray them with Daisy."

Dutch says he has driven almost every kind of army vehicle. During his first month he often spent six hours in the sun cutting long weeds with a knife. He writes: "Not only did we put up with the sun but also a variety of bugs (chiggers) that get in your skin and form welts, and snakes and rattlers. We killed two snakes that day. A good soldier will learn not to drink too much water here. . . . . Today I delivered 15,000 pounds of ice. It was the coolest job I have had yet."

Dutch says to tell Major Henderson that he has not been thrown into the guard house yet. He also states he has 72 men under him and he is the smallest by three inches. "The guy behind me weighs 290 pounds and is 6 feet, 4 inches tall."

Dahlin send regards to all friends. Address—Pvt. Dutch Dahlin, A.S.N. 36763882, Co. A., 138th Bn., 4th Regt., T. D. R. T. C., Camp Hood, Texas.

Lieut. Robinson, '36, Flew To Meeting Of Churchill-Roosevelt

He Piloted Plane Carrying Elliott Roosevelt To Conference

Lieut. John L. Robinson, Class '36, of Jacksonville, Ill., participated in the biggest news story of the year recently when he took Elliott Roosevelt by plane to the historic meeting of the President of the United States and Winston Churchill, Britain's prime minister.

He recently flew up from MacDill Field, Tampa, Florida, to visit his parents, and many were the questions asked. "If I could only tell you about that," he exclaimed. But a mantle of secrecy has been thrown around that important conference in the Atlantic Ocean. At that time, Lieut. Robinson was stationed at an airport in Newfoundland, which he was not allowed to name, flying a Douglas bomber in convoy and patrol duty. It was his privilege to take the son of President Roosevelt to the now famous meeting.

After graduating from Western, Lieut. Robinson attended Illinois College and Butler University. He began his air training at Parks Air College, St. Louis, in September, 1939. He then took courses in Tulsa, finally going to Randolph Field and Kelley Field, Texas. In less than two years, he had his wings!

Plenty Of Fish!

With 2,500 flying hours to his credit, Lieut. Robinson has now qualified as first pilot on the Boeing Flying Fortress, huge four-engine ships, whose exploits have been spread over the pages of all newspapers and magazines.

Lieut. Robinson, during his stay in Newfoundland, was in the very center of air activity between the U. S. and Great Britain. He stated that all food had to be brought in except fish, but that the U. S. airmen and the Royal

Capt. J. Robinson, '36, Dies In Plane Accident In Texas

Former Cadet Had Brilliant Career In U. S. Air Service

Capt. John L. Robinson, Class '36, and a veteran officer of the U. S. Air Corps, was killed on May 20 near Austin, Texas, while in a bomber on a routine flight. According to reports, he attempted to bail out from the plane and was struck by the propeller. His home was at Jacksonville, Ill.

The funeral was held there on Sunday afternoon. Captains Schrantz and Buck of the faculty and Cadets Weeke, Rahel, and Hutchinson, H. represented Western at the services. They said the funeral was attended by a large crowd and that an escort of planes, with one missing from the formation, flew over the cemetery. The American Legion sent a squad to fire a salute over the grave. The flag on the campus flew at half-mast in honor of Capt. Robinson, who joined the growing list of splendid Western graduates who have given their lives in this war.

Capt. Robinson attended Illinois College and Butler University after graduating from Western. He had a brilliant career in the U. S. Air Corps and was a veteran. He joined several years ago. He flew a plane carrying President Roosevelt's son to the first secret meeting of Churchill and Roosevelt on a battle-ship in the Atlantic. He had seen service in India, China, Burma, and other foreign countries. He had ferried airplanes across the ocean.

At Western, Capt. Robinson was a quiet, manly cadet admired by everyone. He was prominent in dramatics, the Senior Play, and athletics.

SISTER OF EDWIN HAMPTON, '32, PLACES ROSES BY PICTURE

Mrs. Massey Anderson, sister of L. Graham Hampton, Class '26, and Edwin W. Hampton, '32, visited Western on December 7th, Pearl Harbor Day. These two graduates were from Warren, Arkansas. Graham attended Vanderbilt and Edwin attended Princeton.

Mrs. Massey placed some roses in memory of her brothers beside Edwin's picture which hangs in the W.M.A. library. Lieut. (j.g.) Edwin Hampton of the U. S. Navy lost his life in 1944 in an explosion on the U.S.S. Turner.

Lt. Col. McCroskey Gets Flying Cross For Heroic Action

The following account from the "St. Louis Post Dispatch" tells of the awarding of the Distinguished Flying Cross to Lieut. Col. Joseph L. McCroskey, Class '35:

The other day, between missions, which consisted of pasting Jerry tanks on the Belgium bulge, Lt. Col. Joseph L. McCroskey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver L. McCroskey, 3525 Chippewa St., was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross by his commanding officer, Col. William L. Curry.

Col. McCroskey, P-47 fighter bomber pilot, looked at the new medal on his left chest, shook hands with the Colonel, and said: "Sorry, sir, but my squadron's waiting."

The Colonel smiled and said: "You'll wait, young man, while I read this." And then the Colonel read this: "For heroic and outstanding achievement while participating in aerial flight in the European theater of operations. Exceptional courage and aerial capability were displayed by Maj. McCroskey (the citation used his former rank) when he courageously elected to return a crippled craft to home base. By exercising the utmost in tenacity and skill he brought the damaged aircraft in for a successful crash landing under extremely hazardous conditions, thus reflecting great credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

Joseph McCroskey graduated from Western Military Academy in the class of '35 with the rank of Cadet Captain. From Western he entered the United States Military Academy, where he graduated in 1940.

Captain Watson, '33, Wounded In Italy

Capt. Roe D. Watson, age 29, an officer in a mountain infantry regiment, has been wounded in action in Italy, daily papers stated last week. He is a graduate of Western, Class '33, and his mother, Mrs. Roe Watson, lives at 1911 Main St., Alton. She is well known here, as she is in charge of the Alton Service Men's Center.

Capt. Watson went overseas last November from Camp Swift, Texas. He entered the service in 1941 and trained with ski troops at Mt. Ranier, near Ft. Lewis, Washington. He received his commission at Ft. Benning, Georgia, in 1942. He served at Ft. Hale, Colorado, and later trained troops at Elkins, West Virginia.

Capt. Watson, after finishing his course at Western, graduated from the University of Michigan.

Lieut. Woosley, '41, Is Back From Europe And May Join Staff

First Lieut. Frank Woosley of Pinckneyville, Ill., was a visitor here this week. He may become a member of Western's staff.

He graduated from W. M. A. in 1941 and started in his grandfather's lumber business. He enlisted after Pearl Harbor. He went directly to the Officers School at Ft. Benning and received his commission. He joined the Paratroopers. He made combat jumps in Sicily and Italy. He made another jump on D-day in Normandy. With his platoon, he captured and held a strategic bridge from the enemy for forty-eight hours. The enemy pressure was so great that the Paratroopers had to fight with the infantry for three days.

Toward the end of the battle, Lieut. Woosley was struck in the face by fragments of .88 mm. shell, which destroyed his right eye and left pieces of metal in his head. He now has an artificial eye and expects to be discharged from the army before Christmas.

Lieut. Woosley has been invited by Colonel Jackson to join the tactical staff at Western for a period of from one to six months immediately after his discharge. He now plans to accept this invitation, subject to the speed of his recovery. Lieut. Woosley has extensive combat experience, together with the training at Benning and other Officers' Schools. His many decorations prove the fact that he made good use of this training. The cadet corps will be proud to have an officer and alumnus as a member of

Capt. Jim Ellis, '36, Gets Bronze Star For Heroic Action

Capt. James O. Ellis, '36, Honor Graduate from Moline, Ill., is still on duty with U. S. forces near Munich, Germany. He graduated from M. I. T. after finishing at Western.

Capt. Ellis landed with the 103rd Division in France and became a part of the 7th Army. His battalion was the first to fight their way on to German soil near Strassborg. He then went south through the Brenner Pass and contacted the Allied Forces in Italy shortly before the end of the war.

His father says that Jim has never written much about his experiences. He did not even tell about winning the Bronze Star.

Capt. Ellis was awarded the Bronze Star for heroism in action. The citation read: "On 10 December 1944, near Uttenhoffen, France, when a bypassed enemy machine gun inflicted casualties on the Third Battalion, 511th Infantry, and forced the men to disperse, Captain Ellis organized an eight-man patrol and led the men in a flanking movement against the position. He halted the patrol and moved forward alone to within 25 yards of the emplacement. Then, demanding their surrender, he charged the surprised crew, capturing eight of the enemy. Captain Ellis's action reflected the

Ben Goodman, 1943, Killed In Action On French Front

Word was received here this week of the death of another Western grad, Class '43, in the line of duty. Chicago papers stated that Benjamin H. Goodman, Jr., 190 South Ave., Glencoe, Ill., was killed in action in France on November 21. No particulars were given.

Many cadets here knew Bennie Goodman, as he attended Western four years. He was quiet, friendly, and good-natured. He was on the Senior Dance Committee and was a member of the "Recall" business staff. His main sports were soccer and riding. He graduated as a sergeant in the battalion.

Bennie's death in line of duty caused great regret at Western. He was a fine fellow, and, like so many graduates, he left the campus to enter the service of his country. He has made the supreme sacrifice. His name will be among those unselfish heroes of the school to whom we all owe so much.

Sgt. Dave Lutz, '43, Gets Purple Heart Award In France

Word has been received that Sgt. David M. Lutz, Class '43, Springfield, Ill., has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in the invasion of Normandy.

The notice from a Springfield paper stated:

"Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Lutz, 1936 Noble Ave., have received the Purple Heart Medal from their son, Sgt. David Lutz, who was wounded in the invasion of Normandy last summer. The award, presented to Sgt. Lutz in France, was mailed to his parents and reached them on his 20th birhday anniversary.

"Sgt. Lutz is now back in action after convalescing in an American hospital in England. x x x His father is vice-president of the Franklin Life Insurance Company."

Mr. Lutz wrote to Col. Jackson and said Dave, or "Tex" as he was known here, wants the W. M. A. "Shrapnel" sent to him. He is with the 9th Army and is now engaged in the terrific battles around Metz.

Mr. Lutz also said that he saw Mr. Mr. Dahlin in Chicago, who stated that Ted Dahlin, '43, is also somewhere in France.

Friends at Western remember Tex Lutz for his superb courage and splendid physique. He was a champion boxer and wrestler, and received offers to go into professional boxing. He won two varsity football letters, a varsity track letter, a J. V. baseball letter, and several letters in minor sports. Tex was all man and muscle. He belonged to the "W" Club and the Senior Dance Committee, and graduated a sergeant.

Ted Dahlin, a good friend of Lutz, was also a star athlete and co-captain of the "A" gridmen. He and Tex were in the backfield. Ted won 2 varsity grid letters, 2 varsity basket ball letters and 3 baseball letters.

The best wishes of the corps will go with these "old grads".

Lieut. B. Epsteen, Class '42, Granted Bronze Star Medal

Led Thrilling Attack Against Strongly Fortified Castle In Italy

Second Lieut. Robert M. Epsteen, '42, of Chicago, was cited and awarded the Bronze Star for heroic action in Italy.

The citation by Maj. Gen. John E. Dahlquist stated, in part:

"Lieut. Epsteen and twelve companions volunteered to form an assault squad to rout the enemy from a strongly fortified castle that blocked the way of our advancing forces. Approximately seventy heavily armed enemy soldiers held the castle and fired a continual stream of bullets along the top of a six-foot wall that surrounded the building. In face of this seemingly sure death, Lieut. Epsteen and his comrades stormed over the wall abreast, screaming, yelling, hurling hand grenades into the building and firing point blank at the enemy. Already disconcerted by a mortar assault, the enemy was stampeded into surrendering by the fierce attackers."

The citation went on to say that 27 prisoners were taken, 2 officers and 10 men killed, and the rest of the force driven from the building. Lieut. Epsteen and the squad then held the castle till the rest of the company moved in.

Bobby Epsteen was a cadet at Western for five years. The "Recall" of '42 called him "the always smiling roughneck." He graduated as a cadet lieutenant and won his commission at Ft. Benning. At Western, he won one varsity grid letter, two varsity baseball letters, and three soccer letters, besides numerous letters on "B" and "C" teams. He belonged to the Riding Club, the Art Club, and the Senior Dance Committee.

Two Brig. Generals Of Illinois Were Once At Western

A feature article in the Sunday St. Louis Globe-Democrat about the generals and admirals from Illinois had accounts of two brigadier generals formerly connected with Western.

Brig. Gen. Harry J. Collins, Class '15, of Chicago is now the commander of the recently reconstituted Rainbow Division, officially known as the 42nd Infantry Division. The army has been his career, as he has graduated from most of the service schools and was formerly a military observer in England. The old Rainbow Division of World War I was one of the most famous outfits in the service. Drawing men from every state in the Union, it had an unexcelled record in combat. General Collins will carry on the great traditions of the original Rainbow Division.

Brig. Gen. Edmund B. Sebree of Olney, Ill., recently returned from the South Pacific, was as a captain the P. M. S. and T. at Western from 1928 to 1932. Under his leadership, the cadet corps gained the "Honor Rating" every year. General Sebree has won the Distinguished Service Medal for his work as divisional commander in the Solomon Islands. He believed in fighting in the front lines with his men. He was cited especially for his personal leadership of his troops in establishing a bridgehead on Guadalcanal in the face of strong Jap opposition. Gen. Sebree has often visited friends in Alton. He is now in this country and was recently in St. Louis.

Lt. Edgar Kummer Class '42, Reported Missing In France

Lieut. Edgar Kummer, Class '42, whose home is at 8332 Racquet Drive, St. Louis, is reported missing in France since September 2, 1944. Nothing definite is known concerning his fate. He was with invasion troops.

Lieut. Kummer was decorated last July in Italy for bravery in action. His brother, Paul Kummer, Class '37, has been with the Military Police and is now at an Officers Candidate School.

Edgar Kummer was a very prominent and popular cadet, and one of the outstanding men in his class. In fact the "Recall" said, "Ed was the keystone of his class." He was a star grid player, president of the "W" Club, chairman of the Senior Dance Committee, business manager of the "Recall", a Cadet Captain, and an honor student. It is the hope of his many friends at Western that Edgar will return safe and sound.

Capt. Cutler, 1935, Gets Award For Heroism Overseas

Capt. Robert Cutler, Class '35, of Washington, Missouri, recently received the Distinguished Service Cross at a ceremony held at a command post on the Siegfried Line, according to a dispatch from Hal Boyle, Associated Press Correspondent.

The award was presented for heroism in storming the Normandy beaches. After that, Capt. Cutler fought more than a dozen battles and traveled more than 500 enemy-held miles. He and several other officers who received the same award were congratulated by the commanding officer, who said, "The Allies are in Germany ahead of schedule because of your performance above and beyond the call of duty."

Capt. Cutler was a very popular cadet at Western. Here four years, he graduated as a cadet captain, was always an honor student, and a member of the "Shrapnel" and "Recall" staffs, the glee club and orchestra. He was on three athletic teams and was the school's star miler.

After attending Western, Capt. Cutler went to Washington University and later graduated as a civil engineer from the Missouri School of Mines. He has been overseas for two years. His wife lives in Union, Missouri, and they have an 18-month-old baby whom he has never seen.

IRA MARKS, '39, WRITES ABOUT BEING WOUNDED IN COMBAT IN ITALY

Lieut. Ira Marks, Class '39, of Chicago, was recently wounded in Italy when his company led an attack against the Gothic Line.

His letter to Col. Jackson is, as follows:

Dear Col. Jackson:

Well, my luck couldn't hold out forever, and on September 22 I was hit. Got shrapnel in both legs and my lower back and my right leg was broken in two places, once between the knee and thigh, and the other in the ankle. Think it was a Jerry 88.

However, I consider myself lucky compared to some of the rest. I lasted longer than the average platoon leader.

Our company spearheaded the regimental drive that first broke the Gothic Line, and believe me, it was rough. I was the first officer to take my platoon into the town of Firenznola, which was mentioned considerably in the news some weeks ago.

Hope all is well at Western. Give my regards to the officers and cadets. x x x x x.

Guess I'll be laid up for several months.

Sincerely,
Ira Marks

Lt. Eaton, 1939, On Annapolis Faculty

According to the 'Alton Evening Telegraph", Lieut. Russell Eaton, Jr., W. M. A. '39, who graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1943, has been transferred to Annapolis as an instructor in electrical engineering and to the executive office.

Lieut. Eaton has been a Naval aviator and was recently assigned to the Carrier, "Midway". He served with distinction during World War II. His appointment to the faculty staff at Annapolis is a testimonial to his worth.

Lieut. Eaton is married to the former Miss Kinderman, a graduate of Monticello College. They have bought a home at Glen Burnie near Annapolis.

Lieut. Eaton's father, Mr. Russell Eaton, now of Milford, Conn., is also a graduate of Western, Class '16. His grandfather, the late Col. Geo. Eaton, was for many years a partner with the late Col. A. M. Jackson in operating Western Military Academy. His mother, Mrs. Noble D. McCormack, lives in Alton.

Bravery In Battle Wins Bronze Star For S/Sgt. Shea, '42

Staff Sergeant William "Gene" Shea, Class '42, of Peoria, Ill., received the Bronze Star Medal for gallantry and courage in Italy. He was in an Infantry unit.

The citation by Maj. Gen. Wm. G. Livesay read: "For meritorious service in combat from 4 July 1944 to 2 May 1945, in the Italian Campaign. On 2 March 1945, near Ca Di Razzone, Staff Sergeant Shea was sent forward as an observer to zero in targets for the 81 mm. mortar. Upon learning that there was no selected observation post from which he could direct the fire of his squad, he crawled forward under enemy artillery and mortar fire, seeking his own observation post. As he was zeroing his gun, the enemy launched an intensive mortar barrage, which forced Staff Sergeant Shea to take cover. He did not remain in this position long, but again continued his mission, disregarding the fact that the enemy had excellent observation on him. He crawled from his place of cover x x x to continue directing his deadly mortar fire. While firing on his last designated target, a sniper, 75 yards away, began to fire at him, but Staff Sergeant Shea held his position. His courage and devotion to duty and his accuracy in directing the fire of his squad was in-

Young Brothers Of Hawaii All Became Captains In War

Capt. Clifford Young, '37, Honor Graduate from Honolulu, recently wrote to Col. Jackson expressing thanks for a wedding gift. He was married last summer to Miss Laura Fung Jean Tso Sin Mau.

His letter also summarized the careers of himself and his brother during the war.

Capt. Young began the war as a 2nd lieutenant with the 398th Infantry He first helped train men for jungle warfare at Espiritu Santos. More training on Guadalcanal followed, and with the 132nd Infantry he took part in the second battle of Bougainville Island. In 1944 he took an intensive course in the Chinese Language Training Center. After more combat training, he studied Chinese again. Capt. Young is being sent via Manila to China where he will continue in the U. S. service.

His brother, Capt. Cecil Young, Class '34, was with the 373rd Bombardment Squadron, 474th Bombardment Group, served in the Molucca Islands, and was recently on one of the following islands when last heard from—Ie Shima, Iwo Jima, or Okinawa.

A third brother, not a W. M. A. graduate, Capt. Clarence Young, was a navigator with the 5th Air Force.

The Young family of Chinese-American birth certainly has a right to feel proud of the service rendered by three sons in World War II.

Maj. Gen. Hill's Address Is Filled With Sound Advice And Reminiscences

Major General W. P. T. Hill's address to the Senior Class and the audience at the 85th commencement on May 31 was full of sound advice, a warm tenderness as he reviewed his cadet days and his career in the Marine Corps, and a kindly humor.

He thanked Col. Jackson and all at the Academy for the gracious reception that he and Mrs. Hill had received. He congratulated Col. Jackson for carrying on in the footsteps of his grandfather and father the great traditions which they established at Western.

Salute From Class '14

General Hill said, "May God bless the souls and spirits of those of the Class of '14 who are not with us today." To the graduates he said, "We of 1914 salute you. Western has come a long way in the last fifty years, and many changes have taken place. The school is well known for its thorough and high standards in the educational world and in the military world, too. Congratulations upon your graduation from Western Military Academy."

He told the members of the graduating class that they would soon enter into all walks of life as teachers, ministers, lawyers, doctors, merchants, scientists, statesmen, military careers, and perhaps an astronaut or two. He said, "Experience is a dear teacher. Never miss the opportunity to gain experience in your own field of endeavor or otherwise. It doesn't come to you on a menu. You must go out and get it. Volunteer for it. Take a chance."

Many Changes In 50 Years

General Hill stated that the world has seen many improvements in the 50 years since he left the Academy, but also a number of bad developments. On the good side he mentioned the advances in science, medicine, radio, and television, as well as advances in air flight, transportation, atomic power, antibiotics, and vaccines for almost every known disease.

However, he said that there have been some unfortunate developments, such as two World Wars, the Korean War, and many small wars. He declared that the automobile can be the "most dangerous, misguided mis-

Major Gen. Hill, '14, Gives Opinion On Supply Department

Major Gen. William P. T. Hill, U. S. Marine Corps Retired, graduate of Western in 1914, recently was quoted in the Army Navy Air Force Register concerning his views about supplying the armed forces. There has been discussion in the Pentagon about cutting down expenses without hurting military efficiency.

Maj. General Hill, who headed the Marine Corps Quarter-master Department for many years, is opposed to eliminating officers who are on "Supply Duty Only." He recalled that during his tenure of duty there was a quip that the QM Badge (a wheel with pen and sword) was the "Badge of Shame." He said many supply duty officers have been denied the opportunity of attending officers and staff schools.

General Hill, who has served in the aviation, engineer, artillery, infantry, and supply fields, believes that the entire supply function should be taken out of the hands of all the Armed Services. He has long advocated a Service and Supply Department within the Defense Department. This department would back up the fighting elements. General Hill believes that specialization is essential to good supply management.

GEN. W. P. T. HILL, '14

General Hill, '14 Of Marines Dies In Washington

Boas E. Gibson, Class '13, of 7300 Briarwood Dr., Little Rock, Ark., 72205, writes that he will be here as usual on Alumni Day, 1966, at Commencement.

He also sent a brief news item from a Little Rock paper stating that Major General William P. T. Hill, age 70, had died in Washington, D. C. Mr. Gibson said this is "our General Hill."

No official notice has been received here of General Hill's death. He was a Western graduate, Class '14, and retired as Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps in 1955. He was also the speaker at Western's commencement in 1964. Many remember General Hill and his wife. They were genial and welcome guests, and the General delivered a fine address to the graduating class.

General Hill had a brilliant career in the Marines in both World Wars and Korea. He served in the Azores, Alaska, China, Mongolia, Haiti, and other places. He began his services as a 2nd lieutenant with the Marine Corps in 1917. He was a company commander in the Marine Legation Guard in Peking, China. He was with the Roy Chapman Andrews Expedition which explored the Gobi Desert in 1926-27-28. He held many other important posts and served as Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps from 1944 to 1955.

General Hill attended Western as a cadet from Vinita, Okla.

Brig. Gen. Collins, 1915, To Command Rainbow Division

Western Grad Has Had Notable Career In Service Of U. S. Army

The "Alton Telegraph" carried the news last week that the new commander of the Rainbow Division, officially the 42nd Infantry Division, which will be reconstituted on July 14 at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma, is a Western graduate of the Class of 1915, Brig. Gen. Harry J. Collins. General Collins has been assistant commander of the 99th Division. He is a native of Chicago.

The Rainbow Division, which won undying fame in the World War I, was composed of men from every state in the union. This great unit, when revived, will also have men from every state and the District of Columbia. And a Western grad will be the commander.

General Collins entered the service in 1917 as an infantry reserve lieutenant. His training includes attendance at Washington University, University of Chicago, Basic Infantry School, Advanced Infantry School, Command and General Staff School, Chemical Warfare, and the Army War College. He is considered an expert in infantry training.

General Collins's record at Western reveals a high standing in school, military, and athletic activities. He has had a brilliant career in the service and now is rewarded by the command of one of the most colorful units in the U. S. Army.

Western Graduate Becomes Youngest Air Force General

Brig. Gen. Dean Commands Air Force Base In Texas

Twenty-one years after his graduation from Western in 1934, an alumnus has become the youngest U. S. Air Force brigadier general at the age of 37. He is Brig. Gen. Fred M. Dean, formerly of East St. Louis, Commander of the Webb Air Force Base, Texas. He recently received his promotion as announced by Lieut. Gen. Emmett O'Donnell in Washington, D. C. He now calls St. Petersburg, Florida, his home.

Grad Of West Point

Gen. Dean graduated from West Point in 1938 and from the flying school next year.

In 1942 he commanded a fighter squadron in England. By 1943 he was a lieutenant colonel, commanding the 31st Fighter Group. By the end of the war, this unit had the highest number of combat kills in the European heatre.

In 1943 Gen. Dean's fighter group helped defeat the Germans in North Africa and took part in the invasion of Sicily. By that time he had flown 104 combat missions, and at the age of 27 was a temporary colonel.

With Roosevelt And Truman

He then served on Gen. "Hap" Arnold's advisory council in Washington and became his executive officer. He was with the military group that accompanied President F. D. Roosevelt to Yalta and Cairo, and he went with President Harry Truman to the Potsdam Conference.

After World War II, Gen. Dean was assigned to the U. S.-Brazilian Military Commission. He then served

Bill Kammerer, '38, Writes Of Life At Fort Benning, Ga.

Bill Kammerer, '38, of St. Louis, who won twelve major sports letters at Western and who captained six major teams, starring in football, basket ball, and track, wrote an interesting letter to Capt. E. P. Droste, telling of his experiences in the Infantry School at Ft. Benning, Georgia. Bill's letter breathes the loyalty to Western for which he was always famous and exhibits his enthusiasm and patriotism which should win him success in the Army. After graduating from Western, he starred on the Vanderbilt eleven. He entered the service last year and was married. Bill was a cadet officer and was prominent in all activities at Western. His letter, in part, follows:

Dear Captain:

Sorry to have missed you in St. Louis last summer. x x x x.

No matter where I go or what I do, my thoughts keep turning back to Western and the happy days I spent with all of you. In these days, I can't help wondering what good fortune sent me there. Because of that opportunity, I am now able to enter and to take part in what is the greatest thing in the world to me—the Army! I know these "troubled" days must have a great influence on the old school. x x x x.

If all that we hear from our superior officers could be told and the cadets there could hear it, I'm sure they would appreciate their opportunity of getting their training in a fine place like Western instead of being drafted in without any preparation. From all we are told, there is no doubt that the present situation is more serious than any of us realize.

I wish I had some way of letting the present cadets know what a wonderful opportunity they have if they will only work hard. I know just how they feel about that "stuff" called "Military Science and Tactics," but the more of it they learn now, the better for them later. Any boy who graduates from a school of Western's calibre has a fine chance of receiving a permanent commission in the regular army, and that's worth any amount of work. x x x x.

For the past three months, I've been seeing quite a bit of the country—some by train, some "foot by foot." I was first stationed at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., with the 6th Infantry. From there I was sent to Ft. Snelling, Minn., with the 3rd Infantry, to which I now am attached. I spent a month at Camp Ripley in maneuvers. Two days after returning to Snelling, I was sent to Ft. Benning, Ga., for a three months' course in the Infantry School.

Capt. Bill Kammerer, 1938, Visits School; Was Great Athlete

Capt. Bill Kammerer, Class '38, whose home was in St. Louis, was a visitor on the campus Wednesday of last week. He has been in the armed forces for some time and has just returned from ten months in the North Atlantic. After a 20-day furlough, he will report to the Eastern command for further orders.

Bill was much interested in all the activities of the cadet corps and he enjoyed seeing old friends on the faculty.

Bill Kammerer was one of the greatest athletes ever to attend Western. He made varsity teams as a freshman and he had the unusual record of being a four-letter man in football, basket ball, and track, twelve major letters in all. He served as captain for these three teams two years straight, making a total of six captaincies that he held. He became the Cadet Major of the battalion, the highest ranking officer. Kammerer was noted for his courage and sportsmanship on former Capt. Ed Droste's teams. His great athletic career was all the more remarkable because as a youngster he suffered a broken back.

After leaving Western, Kammerer attended Vanderbilt University and was a star on Vandy grid teams. He married a lovely girl at the Tennessee school. He did not complete his college course but joined the army even before this war broke out.

Capt. Bill Kammerer is another worthy grad now serving his country, and this reporter regrets that military restrictions prevent a full account of his experiences.

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ter, Marcella. He wrote, "At first, I was rather disappointed in not having an 'athlete,' but after looking at little Marcella, I've decided she can stay with us.")

Kammerer closes by sending regards to Major Moore and all at

Cadets Start Guard Duty, Walking Posts Throughout Night

Thursday afternoon Lt. Col. Moore informed the cadet corps during drill period that guard duty was to start Friday night. He said that everyone should know his General Orders. This he stressed. He also stated that anyone caught throwing a light bulb out of a third-story window in order to scare the guard would be severely punished.

There were fifteen guards who were picked in alphabetical order. The sergeants-of-the-guard were Axelrood, Daus, and Clarke. The Officer of the Day was Cadet Lieutenant Knowles.

The posts of the guards are as follows: post one is from the east end of the drill hall to the door in the west end; post two is from the drill hall door to the clock on the administration building; post three extends from the clock to the front gate; post four is between the main gate and the driveway; and post five is from the driveway to "E" barracks.

There are four shifts. The guards who walk shift one also walk shift four. The four shifts are: shift one, which is from ten o'clock until midnight; shift two, which is from midnight until two o'clock; shift three, from two o'clock until four o'clock; and then again shift one which comes on from four o'clock until six o'clock to finish the night.

The guard house is located in the visiting teams' dressing room, which is next to the swimming pool in the field house. Here the guards sleep and the guards on duty turn in their reports.

Lt. Col. Moore also said that he expected to get completely through the cadet roster and that it is very important that each cadet get his turn at guarding. By walking post, challenging people on the campus, and guarding the school, cadets learn by experience a phase of important military work, sentry and guard duty.

Blackout Plan Is Made At W. M. A. As Part Of Defense

Col. Jackson as Chief Air Raid Warden of Alton has been very busy recently. He has been aiding in organizing the area for blackouts and has been called upon frequently to address meetings.

The motto of the Civilian Defense Council seems to be, "There won't be a Pearl Harbor incident in Alton." The town has been divided into districts with a warden in each block. The wardens are responsible to lieutenants, the lieutenants to captains, and the captains to the chief at the City Hall.

Col. Jackson explained to the corps that the practice blackout set for Tuesday, February 3, would simulate the warning which would be given in case planes came up the Mississippi from New Orleans. In the case of more imminent danger, a second alarm would be given which would cause all factories to extinguish lights. The Tuesday alarm was to be a class one warning. Factories were to black out only during the final three minutes.

At Western, the Chief Air Raid Warden is the commandant, Major Henderson. He has made barracks chiefs and floor chiefs air wardens in the C. D. C. They wear the button of their offices.

In case of a real alarm, cadets will guard four of the main roads leading into Alton.

German Cannon And Tanks From Western Go To Scrap Heap

"Mademoiselle" Breaks Down After Farewell And Is Towed To Steel Mill

Western cadets "got in the scrap" last week. They swarmed over the campus looking for old iron, and when the drive was over, "Mademoiselle", the tank, and such articles as five German cannon, rusty furnace boilers, bed posts, etc. had been taken to the Laclede Steel Mills.

"Mademoiselle," the whippet tank which cadets have often used in sham battles, made a gallant effort to go under her own power. With Laux at the controls, Lieut. Crouse in the turret, and an escort led by Capt. Panhorst and Lieut. Kahle, she clattered out of the front gate.

She Weighed 13,000

But the good old maid blew a gasket or something, about four blocks away. Maybe she was just stubborn, but she refused to budge. She just sat and hissed clouds of steam. So Swain's wrecker was called, and Mademoiselle was yanked in short order to the steel mill, where she tipped the scales at over 13,000 pounds of solid metal. Farewell, Mademoiselle, and puncture a couple of Japs and Germans for each cadet!

The silent guns which have stood on the campus for many years, trophies of the first World War, were also contributed through the courtesy of Col. Jackson. Men with acetylene torches cut the steel barrells and complicated gears into chunks that would into a furnace. Several truck loads metal were secured.

Cadets broke up old furnace boilers with sledge hammers. In fact, everyone cooperated and the scrap drive symbolized the spirit that the cadet corps has this year. The W. M. A. campus certainly furnished iron enough to make many shells, plane parts, tank parts, etc., which will help win this war.

"MADEMOISELLE" BEING DISMANTLED AT THE STEEL MILL

Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

Col. Jackson Offers Cannon And Tank To U. S. For Scrap

Col. Jackson has offered the cannon on the campus, relics of the first World War, and "Mademoiselle," the tank, to the War Department for scrap. The steel industries need scrap metal, and these big guns, made into newer guns, will do so much more good against our foes than they will on the campus, the Colonel said. Besides, after the U. S. wins the victory, probably better trophies will replace the old.

The War Department has granted permission to turn these cannon and the tank over to a steel company. They will furnish many tons of valuable scrap. The tank, heroine of many Western sham battles, was of ancient model but it still chugged along at ten miles per hour. Perhaps "Mademoiselle" herself looks forward to her rebirth, when, as a steel projectile, she can hurl herself once more at the Germans and Japs, not at ten miles per hour, but at a hundred miles a minute.

German Cannon And Tank From Western Sent To Scrap Pile

Cadets Scour Campus To Find Several Truck Loads Of Metal

During the autumn drive for scrap, Western went over the top by contributing five German cannon and mortars, relics of World War I, which had stood on the campus as ornaments, and also the whippet tank, called affectionately "Mademoiselle" by the cadets, who had driven her through many sham battles. Col. Jackson got permission from the War Department to donate these trophies. "At any rate," he added, "after the present war we should have even more interesting trophies."

The cannon were cut apart by men from the Laclede Steel Mills with acetylene torches. They were then hauled to the furnaces.

"Mademoiselle," the tank, made a gallant effort to go under her own power, but halfway to Lower Alton she balked. She was towed the rest of the way, and at the steel mill she weighed over 13,000 pounds. The cadets gave her a great send-off, shouting, "Puncture a dozen Japs and Germans for us."

The cadets also raked the campus for other scrap-iron. They found old furnaces, which they broke up with sledge hammers, old iron bed-posts, and other articles. The grand total of scrap from Western, not counting the tank, filled several trucks.

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Since the tank has been junked, Sammy Laux has been at his wit's end for something to do. When last seen, he was dismantling Lieut. Brown's car.

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CAPT. W. E. DERRIS, '29
Captured But Not Wounded

Army Nurse Reports Capt. Derris, '29, Not Wounded At Bataan

Mr. Walter E. Derris of Sikeston, Mo., sent an interesting letter about his son, Capt. W. E. Derris, Jr., W. M. A. '29, who was reported missing by the War Department after the fall of Bataan. Capt. Derris had been training native troops in the Field Artillery when war broke out, and he served until Bataan was captured.

His father received word of Capt. Derris from Army Nurse, Lieut. Dorothea Daly, one of the six nurses who went through the Bataan campaign and who was decorated in Washington. Mr. Derris wrote, "She knew our son personally and told me over the 'phone that she had talked with Capt. Derris three hours after the fall of Bataan, and that he was not wounded. This is the last authentic word we have had of him."

Presumably Capt. Derris is a prisoner of the Japs.

After leaving Western, where he had a fine record, Capt. Derris kept up his military training in the organized reserves. He changed from the Infantry to the Field Artillery when he was a first lieutenant in 1934. In 1939 he entered the Army at Ft. Sill, Okla. In 1940, after a brief stay at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., he was ordered to Fort Stotsenberg, Pampango, P. I., to train natives in the use of artillery.

Both Henderson Boys Are Captains In Tank Destroyers

Major F. N. Henderson, Class '13, commandant at Western for over 20 years, has two sons, both W. M. A. graduates, who are captains in a Tank Destroyer Battalion at Camp Hood, Texas.

Capt. George Henderson graduated in 1935 as Cadet Major, honor graduate, and star, all-round athlete. Capt. John Henderson finished at W. M. A. in 1937 as a Cadet Captain, president of his class for four years, and captain of the football and swimming teams. Both of them were "Shrapnel" editors.

The Henderson boys entered the service at Fort Custer, Michigan, and both received captaincies within the past few months with the tank destroyer outfit. Both are married.

"AS LONG AS THE JAPS HOLD OUT, THE FUN WILL" SAYS LIEUT. BILL NORRIS

Lieut. W. P. "Bill" Norris, Class '38, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, graduated from Kelly Field late in 1941 and, though he has been on Guadalcanal only a short time, he wrote to his parents: "As long as the Japs hold out, the fun will."

At the end of one week on November 9 he wrote that his score was "one Jap transport, one-half a bomber, and a near miss on a destroyer." Flying a pursuit plane, Norris dive-bombed and hit the powder magazine of a Jap transport ship. Teamed with another flyer, he brought down a Jap bomber, hence the count, "one-half a bomber." Norris seemed worried only about the fact that a Jap .38 revolver, which he was sending to his father, might not arrive in time for Christmas.

He said in his letter to his dad, "If I can't get you anything else, we'll try to give the Nips an extra go for you on Christmas Eve."

Slender, smiling, handsome Bill Norris! Everyone remembers his exploits in basket ball and track at Western. He also played football and was an excellent student. He was a Junior at Coe College when he joined the Air Corps.

May Lieut. Bill Norris have good hunting as he sits in the cockpit of his plane protecting the region of Guadalcanal!

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ALTON, ILLINOIS, NOVEMBER 11, 1943

THIS IS THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF

Armistice Day

Today, twenty-five years ago, "the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month," the armistice which ended World War I was signed. Celebrations through the succeeding years first expressed the joy of victory, then the respect and honor due the heroes who lost their lives in that conflict, and finally a tribute to the ever-growing number of our men who have already made the supreme sacrifice in World War II.

For the armistice of a quarter of a century ago did not bring permanent peace. Today the young men of this country and of our Allies are again in battle all over the world. They are again called upon to give their strength, courage, manhood, their all that our ideals and way of life may be preserved.

Today it is fitting that we pay tribute here at Western to over five hundred graduates of this school who are serving in the armed forces of the United States, and especially to fourteen alumni who have laid down their lives in this war. Other men who used to wear the cadet gray are known to be missing. Some are in German and Japanese prison camps. Many have been wounded. All have shown the courage, devotion, and loyalty which are a part of the Western tradition. What a glorious record is theirs! No one has failed. Not one has shown the white feather!

On this Armistice Day we pause to pay solemn tribute, in a spirit of thankfulness and pride, to the heroes of World War I and to our grads who are now on the battle fronts.

And to those noble sons of Western, whose names appear below, who have given their lives as a supreme sacrifice in this present war, we give a special, reverent salute. May their sacrifice be not in vain. May we measure up to their exalted standard of loyalty and courage!

THE SUPREME SACRIFICE

Capt. Robert W. Rulkoetter, '34
Air Corps
St. Louis, Mo.

Lieut. J. J. Strause, '21
Navy
Peoria, Ill.

Capt. John Franciscus, '25
Air Corps
St. Louis, Mo.

2nd Lieut. Carl Helmstetter, Jr., '38
Air Corps
Dermot, Ark.

2nd Lieut. Robert B. Secord, '33
Air Corps
Detroit, Mich.

Capt. Rex. K. Latham, '35
Air Corps
Alton, Ill.

Lieut. Douglas Boudeman '36
Air Corps
Kalamazoo, Mich.

Capt. Henri Chouteau, '36
Royal Air Force
St. Louis, Mo.

Lieut. J. B. Lyman, '38
Air Corps
Peoria, Ill.

Capt. John L. Robinson, '36
Air Corps
Jacksonville, Ill.

Capt. Ralph A. Colby, '35
Infantry
Springfield, Ill.

2nd Lieut. Vance Shield, Jr., '38
Infantry
Clayton, Mo.

Lieut. Dudley T. Atkins, '41
Infantry
St. Louis, Mo.

Capt. Robert E. Winkelmeyer, '36
Air Corps
Peoria, Ill.

MISSING

Capt. W. K. Walker, '21
Infantry
Sioux City, Iowa

Lieut. A. C. Biedenstein, '29
Infantry
St. Louis, Mo.

PRISONERS

Capt. Walter E. Derris '29
Infantry
Sikeston, Mo.

Lieut. Paul Casey
Air Corps
Peoria, Ill.

Capt. Robert A. Foster, '36
Air Corps
Peoria, Ill.

Capt. Howard Humphreys
Infantry
Bloomington, Ill.

LT. COL. FRED M. DEAN, '34
Cited Twice In Action

Lt. Col. Fred M. Dean, 1934, Gets Another Citation In Action

For the second time within two months, a Western grad, Lieut. Col. Fred M. Dean, has been reported in the press of the nation for heroic action in the present war. Last week's "Time" magazine related that he is credited with destroying five French tanks in the interior of Algeria during the recent sensational American invasion of North Africa.

Only a few weeks ago, Col. Dean, then a Major, was decorated in England for leading four separate air squadrons in one day in the raid on Dieppe.

When a cadet at Western, Col. Dean's name was Murray Dean Pope, and his home was in East St. Louis. When he entered West Point, he had the name changed to Dean. He graduated here in 1934.

Col. Dean was a friend of Lt. Commander Edward O'Hare, Navy flyer who shot down six Jap planes off the Marshall Islands. He belongs to General James Doolittle's flyers. His group of fellow cadets of the years 1932 to 1934 have frequently hit the headlines for distinguished service. Besides Col. Dean and Commander O'Hare, Col. Paul W. Tibbets, Jr., '33, received the Order of the Purple Heart for being wounded in action in air raids over Europe, and Lieut. A. E. Hoffman, '32, was decorated for bravery at Macassar Straights by General MacArthur. When a cadet here, Col. Tibbets lived at Miami, Fla., and Lieut. Hoffman at East St. Louis.

Several Old Grads Cited For Heroic Action In Service

Former Cadets Do Bang-Up Job No Matter Where They Are Stationed

Reports from fronts all over the world reveal that Western men, whether privates or officers, are doing their duties well. The measure of their service does not lie in the decorations or citations which they receive, for many an old grad in some obscure corner of the globe, who has never smashed the newspaper headlines, has rendered faithful and heroic service.

On the other hand, many alumni have been faced with situations and have so conducted themselves that the spotlight of the nation's applause has been focused upon them. Western is proud of the distinguished service rendered by so many former cadets, who used to wear the gray uniforms and hop to the bugle notes on this campus.

First Was O'Hare

Below is a list of some of the "old grads" who have received special notice for heroic service.

Lieut. Commander Edward H. O'Hare, '32, was the first. His story is well known to all. Last spring he became the country's first ace by bringing down single-handed six Jap planes in the Pacific. He was decorated by President Roosevelt, advanced in rank, and honored by the whole nation. Commander O'Hare attended Western five years. His home was in St. Louis and he graduated from Annapolis and the Pensacola Navy Air School.

Maj. Dean, Class '33, Leads Four Raids On City Of Dieppe

Major Fred Murray Dean, Class '33, in the recent spectacular raid on Dieppe by the Allied forces, led four separate squadrons in one day to attack the German occupied city. He is the only man, according to the papers, who ever raided the continent four times in one day, as the previous record was only three times. However, Major Dean knew the terrain and his heroic guidance led four squadrons to the attack.

When Major Dean was at Western, his name was Pope, and his home was in St. Louis. He had his name changed before he entered West Point.

Then there was Lieut. (j. g.) Lanson Ditto, '38, of Paducah, Ky. He was on the aircraft tender, "Langley" when it was sunk by the Japs. He transferred to the "Pecos" and manned a machine gun during a four-hour fight, being severely wounded and burned. When the Pecos went down, he received national notice for cheering the survivors for seven hours as they awaited rescue. Lieut. Ditto, a star swimmer at W. M. A., swam in the water, played with a dead flying fish, and by his antics kept up the spirits of the men.

Dean Cited Twice

Lieut. Col. Fred Murray Dean, '34, (Murray Dean Pope of East St. Louis when he was at Western) received public notice twice recently. He was decorated in England for leading four separate air squadrons in one day in raids upon Dieppe, one more than any other man led. Recently "Time" magazine credited him with destroying five French tanks in Algeria during the invasion of Africa. He graduated from West Point and is with General James Doolittle's flyers.

Col. Paul W. Tibbetts, Jr., Class '33, of Miami, Fla., received the Order of the Purple Heart for being wounded in action in air raids over Europe.

Lieut. A. E. Hoffman, '32, was decorated for bravery by General MacArthur for heroic action in the Battle of Macassar Straits. His home was in East St. Louis.

Lieut. Norman Willey, '36, formerly of Chicago, was decorated by General MacArthur in Australia for rescuing a comrade from a crashed and burning plane. Willey was a star football end and track man at Western and later an outstanding grid player at Purdue.

Capt. W. E. Derris, Jr., '29, was decorated for extreme bravery under fire in the Bataan campaign.

Aviation Cadet Bob Knapp, 1941, Dies In Arizona Accident

Killed When Train Strikes Bus Returning From Target Range At Night

Aviation Cadet Robert W. Knapp, Jr., Class '41, was killed last Thursday night when a busload of aviation cadets returning to Kingman, Arizona, Air Field was struck by a fast Santa Fe freight train at the camp entrance. Twenty-eight other men on the bus died in the crash, and the others were injured. The accident occurred as the bus was returning the cadets from a night session on the gunnery range.

Cadet Bob Knapp was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Knapp, 4600 McPherson Ave., St. Louis, Mo. His father, a prominent officer in the Farish-Knapp Real Estate Company, was also a Western graduate of the Class of 1911.

Blonde, irrepressible Bob Knapp is well remembered at Western, and the "Recall" of '41 stated that he made many friends because of his lively personality. He possessed a brilliant mind and ranked third in his military theory classes for two straight years. He belonged to the "W" Club and the Club 400 (the academic honor club). He won two varsity letters in tennis, one in track, one in soccer, and other emblems in sport. Bob was always full of pep and he lived his life with zest. He was employed by the McQuay-Norris Manufacturing Co. before he entered the service in 1942. He had made a splendid record during his training as an aviation cadet and was put in charge of his unit at the air field.

Cadet Bob Knapp was from a prominent St. Louis family. He was the great-grandson of Col. George Knapp, owner and editor of the "Missouri Republican." He was the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Farish of 5221 Westminster Place.

It is with the greatest regret that friends at Western learned of Bob Knapp's death. His was the kind of refreshing personality not easily forgotten. His passing robbed the service of a brilliant and dashing prospective officer. The "Shrapnel" extends sincere sympathy to his family.

Capt. C. Hamilton, '36, Called One Of Greatest Air Aces

Has Completed Forty Missions During Ten Months Of Grim Fighting

According to the "Tulsa World," Capt. C. D. Hamilton of Sapulpa, Okla., Class '36, is at home after ten months of blasting the Nazis from Tunisia to Rome. As pilot of the "Elizabeth Ann," he has been in ceaseless fighting, and he wears eight Oak Leaves, each one indicating five missions, or forty in all.

When he left Europe, he was flying his fifth "Elizabeth Ann." Four previous planes of that name were shot down. He once declined the Purple Heart in order to keep news of his serious wounds from his family. Capt. Hamilton has medals for participation in various campaigns and wears three stars, one each for the Pantellerian, Sicilian, and Italian wars. He has been recommended for the Distinguished Flying Cross. His plane, the "Elizabeth Ann," was named for his 14-months-old daughter. Her name still flies the skies.

Led Rome Raid

Capt. Denziel Hamilton entered the service in 1941. His flights took him over Labrador, Iceland, Greenland, Newfoundland, Scotland, Ireland, and England. In 1942 he hawked submarines over the Atlantic. He then joined the melee in North Africa, helped smash the Nazi forces there, and then took part in the crucial invasion of Sicily. As squadron commander, his plane led the first formation of bombers which raided Rome. On one of his missions, his squadron knocked down 29 planes. His famed ship, the "Elizabeth Ann," was photographed and used in a "Saturday Evening Post" article a few months ago.

Perhaps no Western graduate has had more thrilling air experiences than Capt. Hamilton. "The Tulsa World" said: "His ten months among the monster enemy javelins of the air appear unsurpassed for young Oklahomans. Craftiness, leadership, and combat precision are major points in Capt. Hamilton's aerial honors."

To Train Flyers

The 28-year-old ace, after his heroic record, will be detailed to train young flyers in the U. S. in the art of victorious fighting.

Denziel Hamilton was a cadet at Western four years. His hobby here was guns and marksmanship, in which he won highest honors. The "Recall" of 1936 said, "There is little he does

Lt. Bill Flesh, 1938, Brings Bomber Back In Daring Exploit

Grad Dodges German Planes Among Haystacks And Trees Of France

Another Western grad of '38, Lieut. W. R. (Bill) Flesh, Webster Groves, Mo., made the headlines in a big way last week when he brought a wounded bomber home to England by dodging German pursuit planes among the haystacks and trees. That is how low Flesh was flying his plane. This happy-go-lucky exploit was widely acclaimed in the papers.

Bill Flesh was described thus in the 1938 yearbook: "He has been a mainstay of the clarinet section of the band. His ever-ready wit and humor have tided him over many tight spots. Bill's happy-go-lucky attitude has won many friends in the cadet corps."

That ready wit and daring attitude evidently served him in good stead.

Lieut. Flesh's '38 class produced also Capt. Bill Kammerer, Lt. Carl Helmstetter (who lost his life), Ensign Lanson Ditto, Lieut. Jack Ellison, Lieut. J. B. Lyman (who died in his plane fighting Japs), Lieut. W. P. Morris, Capt. Tom Rush (reported missing), Lieut. Vance Shield (killed in an infantry charge), and other heroes of this war.

The St. Louis "Post-Dispatch" described Lieut. Flesh's adventure, as follows:

Lt. William R. Flesh, who startled residents of Glendale and his home town of Webster Groves twice this year, January 11 and May 28, by swooping low over housetops in his four-engined bomber, saved his own life and that of his co-pilot, and their Flying Fortress, recently by similar tree-top flying over France, where he alarmed the French peasants even more than his old neighbors.

The incident in France happened while Lt. Flesh was piloting his bomber back from a mission, and the big plane was damaged so badly by anti-aircraft fire that eight members of the crew bailed out over Germany, an Associated Press dispatch from a United States bomber base in England reported today.

Flesh, 23 years old, whose home is at 668 West Lakewood avenue, Webster Groves, and his co-pilot were the only members of the crew to stay with the Fortress. Flesh flew the big plane so low to escape German fighter planes that he had to dodge housetops and haystacks.

The Germans who tried to pursue were fought off by the co-pilot, Lt. J. O. H. Gossage, 25, of Conimicut, R. I.,

Capt. Russell, Class 1922, Given Bronze Star By U. S. Navy

Cited For Meritorious Service As Commander Of The USS "Sigsbee"

Capt. Benjamin Van Meter Russell, Class of '22, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal on September 27, according to a dispatch received this week from the Navy Department. After he graduated from Western, he finished his course at Annapolis. He was the highest-ranking Naval officer among Western graduates in the service, though many old boys held high offices in the Army.

Captain Russell was cited for meritorious service while commanding the "Sigsbee" and also a destroyer division in the Pacific in 1943-44.

The dispatch and the citation, sent here by the Navy Department, is as follows:

Captain Benjamin Van Meter Russell, U. S. N., today was presented the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service as commanding officer of the USS SIGSBEE and as Commander of Destroyer Division One Hundred Two during numerous operations against Japanese forces in the Pacific from August, 1943, to October, 1944. Admiral Frederick J. Horne, U. S. N., Special Assistant to the Chief of Naval Operations, made the presentation at a ceremony in the Navy Department.

The text of the citation reads:

"For meritorious achievement during operations against enemy Japanese forces in the Pacific Ocean Areas, while serving successively as Commanding Officer of the USS SIGSBEE and as Commander Destroyer Division ONE HUNDRED TWO, from August 1943, to October 1944. Daring and resourceful in the fulfillment of a hazardous assignment, Captain Russell not only fought his ship during the bombardments of enemy forces and installations on the Marcus Islands, Wake Island, and Tarawa and in the Amphibious assaults against Kwajalein and Hollandia, but also directed effective gunfire against hostile ground facilities at Kavieng, New Ireland, where the SIGSBEE was serving as a Fighter Director ship. Subsequently commanding Destroyer Division ONE HUNDRED TWO during the seizure and occupation of the Marianas Islands, he rendered invaluable assistance in the accomplishment of this vital mission. His inspiring leader-

Capt. Winkelmeyer, Class '36, Killed In Action By Japanese

Former Peoria Cadet Loses Life In South Pacific Attack

Capt. Robert E. Winkelmeyer, Class '36, 1114 Bigelow St., Peoria, Ill., was reported killed in action in the South Pacific on October 20. Serving as a liason pilot or reconnaissance officer for an artillery unit, he was on a mission when killed during a Japanese attack.

After graduating from Western, Capt. Winkelmeyer attended Marion Institute and entered West Point. He became a sergeant at "The Point" his first year, played soccer, and became the Plebe soccer coach his second year. On his graduation day, he married Miss Ann Yurchek of Highbridge, N. Y.

Capt. Winkelmeyer had basic air training at Roswell, N. M., and later was transferred to the artillery school at Ft. Sill, Okla. He was promoted to the rank of captain only recently in the South Pacific.

At Western "Bob" Winkelmeyer is remembered, according to his senior biography, "as a mighty fine fellow with a very brilliant mind." He was an honor student and a star soccer player. He was a splendid example of clean-cut American youth.

It is interesting to note that several of his classmates of '36 have become casualties, have given their all, for their country. Lieut. Doug Boudeman, Air Corps, Kalamazoo, Mich., Capt. John Robinson, Air Corps, Jacksonville, Ill., and Capt. Henri Chouteau, Royal Canadian Air Corps, St. Louis, Mo., lost their lives in the service. Capt. Howard Humphreys, Bloomington, Ill., is a prisoner of the Japs, and Capt. Robert Foster, Air Corps, Peoria, Ill., is a prisoner of the Ger-

Lt. J. B. Lyman, 38, Killed In Action With U. S. Air Corps

Brother Of Present Cadet Dies In Far East, According To Reports

Lieut. J. B. Lyman, Class '38, of the U. S. Air Corps under General Chennault, was recently killed in action somewhere in the East, probably China. His father, Mr. L. P. Lyman of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, received word from the War Department and telephoned to Major Henderson last Friday.

Major Henderson informed Cadet L. P. Lyman, Jr., a younger brother who is now a student at W. M. A. Cadet Lyman left at once for Cedar Rapids.

Thus another one of the finest of Western's graduates has given his life for his country. "JB", as he was known to his many friends, was a clean, virile, outstanding boy. He was in the upper half of his class of '38 in scholarship, and his military record was very superior. In athletics, he was a star, playing on the "A" football teams and diving on the swimming team. He was also a prominent member of the band and orchestra. After graduating in 1938, "JB" returned for a post-graduate course the next year, during which he continued his splendid record. No one ever questioned Lyman's loyalty, courage, and character. He was always willing to give everything he had for his school and comrades.

After leaving Western, Lieut. Lyman attended Coe College at Cedar Rapids for two years. He was one of the first to enlist in the U. S. Air Corps. After taking his training in the southwest, he was commissioned and soon was on his way to foreign service. Last year his family and friends received interesting letters from Lieut. Lyman as he crossed Africa, India, and went on to China to

Capt. Tom Rush, '38, Reported Missing In Action In Italy

St. Louis papers reported last week that Capt. Tom D. Rush, Class '38, of Western, was missing in action. No particulars were given, but he was fighting in Italy.

Tom Rush was a four-year man at Western. He lived at Washington, Mo., at that time but his parents now reside at 965 North Kingshighway, St. Louis.

Rush, though only 22 years old, had become a captain. At Western he was an honor student, a member of the Senior Dance Committee, an all-round athlete, and a cadet lieutenant. He later attended the University of Missouri.

Th "Recall" said of him: "Tom's personality and character are reflected by his many friends, none of whom will ever forget his penetrating smile." He was preceded at W. M. A. by an older brother, Robert Rush, of the Class of '37.

The "Shrapnel" can only express the hope that Capt. Tom Rush, though reported missing, is somewhere alive and safe in Italy.

Capt. Tom Rush, '38, A German Prisoner

Recently, Capt. Thomas D. Rush, '38, was reported missing in action in Italy on November 11.

A recent report from the Red Cross to his parents in St. Charles, Mo., states that Capt. Rush is a prisoner of the German Government.

The news is welcomed by Tom Rush's friends here, who were glad to learn that he is alive, though a prisoner.

Foster And Casey, Class '37, Meet In Nazi Prison Camp

Two Western classmates are together in a German prison camp. They are Capt. Robert A. Foster, '37, and First Lieut. Paul Casey, Jr., '37, both of Peoria, Ill., and both officers in the U. S. Air Corps.

Capt. Foster recently wrote to his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Allan Foster, that he has recovered from a leg wound received in action over Europe. His main recreation is reading.

A few days after his arrival in the camp, Lieut. Casey was also sent there. About a month ago the "Shrapnel" reported that Lieut. Casey was missing after his flying fortress, of which he was the pilot, was shot down over Germany. His fate was not known until Capt. Foster's letter came with the news that Lieut. Casey is well. Most of the officers at that prison camp are flyers.

Capt. Foster will always be remembered as a great basket ball, football, and track star at Western. He later attended V. M. I. and continued his brilliant athletic career. He joined the air corps in 1941 and was commissioned in February, 1942. He has seen much service over Europe.

Lieut. Casey, of the same '37 Class, attended Annapolis after leaving Western. He was commissioned in September, 1942.

As long as these two comrades of Western had to be interned in a prison camp, it was fortunate that they could be together. At Peoria, Western, and now in Germany, their paths have crossed. Both have been fine officers in the U. S. Air Corps.

Lt. Francis Pearce, '42, Recovering In Texas From Wounds

The Ballinger, Texas, "Ledger" states that Lieut. Francis Pearce is at his home there recovering from wounds received in Sicily. Lieut. Pearce, only 19 years old, graduated from Western in 1942. He attended the Officers' School at Ft. Benning, Georgia, and has been overseas for nine months, in four of which he was in constant combat.

Lieut. Pearce fought during the Tunisian campaign in North Africa and was one of the first to enter the captured port of Bizerte. He then took part in the invasion of Sicily. His unit landed at night and helped push the Germans back through Sicily, covering 79 miles on foot in 48 hours.

Near Messina Lieut. Pearce was preparing to wrap himself in a blanket to get some rest when a fragment from a bursting shell struck him in the side. He was removed to a hospital at Palermo and later sent by air to Africa. A hospital ship brought him to New York.

Lieut. Pearce stated that the hardships of warfare are hard to realize and that he can hardly conceive how the soldiers take so much and still fight on. He believes that there is still much stiff fighting to be done before victory is won.

Lieut. Pearce still has scores of friends at Western. It is hard to realize that he is a seasoned veteran at 19 years of age. At W. M. A. he was an honor student, winner of "A" letters in football and track, member of the "W" Club, captain and four-year member of the rifle team, and a lieutenant who led his platoon to win the platoon competition.

MILITARY

Lt. Jack Dewenter, 1945, In Hero's Role As Navy Pilot

The Pantagraph of Bloomington, Ill., carried a story of heroic action on the part of Lieut. John "Jack" R. Dewenter, Class '45, formerly of that city.

Lieut. Dewenter was performing with a crack jet troupe of the Navy at a community celebration near Buffalo, N. Y., when the engine of his F11F Tiger Jet failed at 8000 feet.

A crowd of spectators was below in the thickly populated area. Risking an explosion in the air and almost certain injury in trying to land his crippled plane, yet Jack Dewenter refused to bail out. "There were just too doggone many houses down there," he said.

Lieut Dewenter crashlanded on an airport strip almost 2000 feet short of the minimum runway required for his plane. His plane skidded off the runway and stopped at the entrance of a filling station at an intersection of two streets.

His action was credited with saving many lives and making possible the salvage of the million-dollar plane.

Admiral Burke, chief of naval operations, called Dewenter's action "magnificent" and "reflecting the highest credit on yourself, the Blue Angels, and the Navy."

Lieut. Dewenter won his wings in 1947. He served with Fighter Squadron 781 in Korea in 1950 and later was assigned to Naval Intelligence as an intepreter of Chinese in Panmunjom in 1954. He was also aide to the admiral commanding the Fleet Air Arm in the Pacific. His flying unit, the Blue Angels, has headquarters at Pensacola, Fla.

Lieut. Dewenter was married to Miss Patricia Ann Welhour of Fredericksburg, Va., last year.

Capt. Engle, '37, Is New Commander At Annapolis

Capt. Aubrey Delos Engle, Class '37, recently took over the command of the U.S. Naval Station at Annapolis, Maryland. Newspapers of this area carried pictures of him as he took over the duties from Capt. Barry Atkins.

Capt. Engle is the son of Mrs. Mildred Engle, 3236A Linden Place, East St. Louis, Ill. After graduating from W.M.A., he graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. He has had a distinguished career in the service.

The Recall of 1937 said of Capt. Engle, "He was a scholar in every sense of the word. He put his whole heart into every undertaking, and he had an inherent sense of sportsmanship."

TWO WESTERN MEN HAVE TOP COMMAND OF FORMOSA FORCES

Two officers well known at Western are in top positions in the revised setup of the American forces in Formosa.

Maj. Gen. L. L. Doan, former PMST here from 1935 to 1939 and a West Point graduate, is now known as Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Formosa. His son, Bill, was a Western graduate last year.

Brig. Gen. Fred M. Dean, Class '34 at Western and Class '38 at West Point, is commanding the U.S. Air Force on Formosa.

When he was made a general, he was the youngest general in the Air Force. In World War II he commanded the 31st Fighter Group, which claimed the largest number of "kills" in the ETO. He also saw action in Africa and Sicily.

Commander James Dewenter, '45, Is Aboard The Midway

HE COMMANDS ATTACK SQUADRON ON CARRIER OPERATING NEAR ASIA

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat recently had a feature article on "the lonely war" fought by the Navy's attack carrier, Midway, which has been operating off the coast of Viet Nam.

The Midway carries 3500 men and is longer than three football fields. The men work around the clock, keeping the ship going, loading ammunition, launching planes, and flying a multitude of combat sorties. The article stated that the morale is high, but it is a lonely operation because many people in the U.S. do not seem to realize what is going on.

The writer, City Editor George A. Killenberg, told about the men on the Midway and their officers, some of whom have lost their lives in the service of their country.

GRAD COMMANDS SQUADRON

One of the commanders of an attack squadron is Commander James "Jack" Dewenter, Class '45, whose family once lived in Bloomington, Ill., but during his cadet days at Charlotte, N. C. Jack Dewenter was a former brilliant member of the Navy's Blue Angels, a precision flying team.

At Western he was a member of the Club 400 and the National Honor Society, a champion boxer, and a varsity letter winner in football, track, and swimming.

The Military Mike

GENERAL FUNSCH, '29
Commencement Speaker

General Funsch, '29, Will Be Speaker At Commencement

Col. R. B. Jackson states that the commencement address at the graduating exercises for the Senior Class on Sunday morning, June 1st, will be a distinguished graduate, Brig. General Harold F. Funsch, Class '29, forty years ago. He is at present in the U.S. Medical Service at Scott Air Force Base near Belleville, Ill. He has much to do with evacuating wounded soldiers from Viet Nam.

The "Shrapnel hoped to have a story of his career for this edition, but General Funsch has been away on a trip and the information has not yet been received. However, Western is proud that such a prominent alumnus will be the commencement speaker for the Class of '69.

Major General Hill

General Hill, '14, Served Brilliantly In Marine Corps

Commencement Speaker Won Many Honors In The U.S. And In Foreign Countries

Major General William P. T. Hill, Class '14, who will deliver the commencement address this year, was Quartermaster General of the Marine Corps from 1944 to 1955. His colorful career has included service in the Azores, Alaska, China, Mongolia, and Haiti as well as service during two World Wars and the Korean War.

General Hill was born in Vinita, Okla. He attended Kemper Military School before he entered Western, where he graduated in 1914. He reported for active duty with the Marine Corps in 1917 as a second lieutenant. After attending the flight school at the Naval Air Station, Cape May, N. J., he was designated a Naval Aviator on October 16, 1917, serving in the Azores. He returned to the United States as an aviation instructor at Miami, Fla.

Special Commendation

In 1920 General Hill became a member of the Naval Alaskan Coal Commission as a geologist surveying the Alaskan coal fields. For outstanding service, he received a Commendation from the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Interior as a special mining engineer with the U. S. Bureau of Mines. He returned in 1923 to attend the Company Officers Course at the Marine Base, Quantico, Va. Upon graduation he served with the Tenth Regiment and Fifth Engineer Company at Quantico.

With Roy Chapman Andrews

In 1926, he was a company commander in the Marine Legation Guard at the American Embassy in Peking.

Cadets Will Learn Navy Procedure On Trip To Marquette

Feature Of Weekend Will Be Voyage On LCI Boat On Mississippi And Illinois

By Schweppe

When the corps was in Marquette State Park last fall, it was promised that they would return. That is what will occur next Saturday and Sunday, May 15 and 16, when the cadets will go on an overnight hike to this beautiful spot overlooking the Illinois River.

The plan is known as "Operation Marquette" and, though complex, it is about ready. The new feature is that the Navy's LCI 952 will take part in the operation.

Board Ship At Alton

Early Saturday morning the LCI 952 (Landing Craft Infantry) will come to Alton from St. Louis. As it is being raised through the locks, 100 cadets are expected to board it for the 25-mile trip up the river to Marquette. During the cruise, tours will be conducted over the ship by members of the crew. The LCI will anchor near the main lodge of the park and cadets will go ashore in three smaller landing boats.

In the meantime, the other cadets will have gone to Marquette by bus and will have occupied the two camp sites used last fall. After dark there will probably be some kind of military maneuvers, followed by motion pictures, if electric power is available.

Historic Vessel

On Sunday morning a second group of 100 cadets will have a cruise on the LCI before lunch. In the afternoon the third group of cadets will return from the park to Alton aboard the ship. They will probably be met at the Alton dam by a large crowd of spectators and by newspaper photographers.

The LCI 952 was secured through

Realistic Drill By 37 mm. Gun Squad Features Parade

Last Sunday the parade was held outside on the Lower Field. Believe it or not, that was the last parade before G. I. It was a very warm day. After the battalion had been reviewed by the officers of the Missouri National Guard, the companies were given a "companies mass left" and marched to the right of the field. They were then moved up behind the barracks and given rest. The members of the Missouri National Guard were standing behind the reviewing officers on the track.

The cadets wore the field uniform with white caps and white gloves. "D" Company had been split up among the other companies for the parade, because there were so many boys absent who had gone to fight the flood.

After the parade a demonstration was put on by the 37 mm. squad. They fired the anti-tank gun at a miniature Jap tank on the hill. After the third shot the tank surrendered by showing a white flag. The members of the squad were Verreos, J., Crandall, Bill, Harter, A., and Gould. It was an excellent demonstration. Charges of dynamite had been arranged by Col. Moore so that the firing of the anti-tank gun caused simulated explosions near the advancing tank. The third shot was a "direct hit". It was very realistic and was enjoyed by a large crowd.

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Because of the national emergency, our military work will be increased probably to a greater extent than ever before.

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From our campus several of our officers have joined the Civilian Defense Police Corps. They guard strategic points in Alton, such as the public utilities, from sabotage. It is all volunteer work without pay. Lieut. Panhorst is the Chief.

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With pride we hear daily of the large number of W. M. A. grads who are serving this country in the armed forces all over the world. No wonder Major Moore was informed in Chicago by Army officials that the R. O. T. C. is a fine source of officer material. Yet only a few years ago, some people were inclined to question the value of military training. But not any more!

The Military Mike

By Bell

The Sunday parades are continually improving as the weeks go by, but there are still little things that have to be corrected. The main thing is the proper trail of weapons. Always correct the man's trail in front of you in a low voice. Another glaring mistake is the step. Plant your left foot on the accented beat of the drum. It is also important to note that the Military Department takes a dim view of anyone being absent from parade, except in cases of physical disability.

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After a close decision "D" Company received the best lines award last Sunday, mainly because of the good trail of arms.

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Next Sunday a regular army officer of St. Louis will review the battalion. Be on your toes.

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Too many Seniors are still seen unshaven and wearing the wrong brass. Sharpen up and set the example.

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There has not been enough improvement at Saturday inspections. This week's inspection will be the hardest, and all cadets are advised to be ready. Last week in the barracks too many little things were out of order, such as unshined shoes in the shoe line, clothes in the bottom of lockers, and drawers not uniform throughout the school. These little things must be improved before Government Inspection.

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The physical training program will continue for several weeks. As of now, eight of the 30 hours of physical training have been completed.

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It is evident that cadets are not studying their manuals for either parade or drill.

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The Honor Guard will be formed shortly. The same standards will prevail as they did last year. The members will carry the old bolt action Springfield, Model 1903, for it is easier to handle and is lighter.

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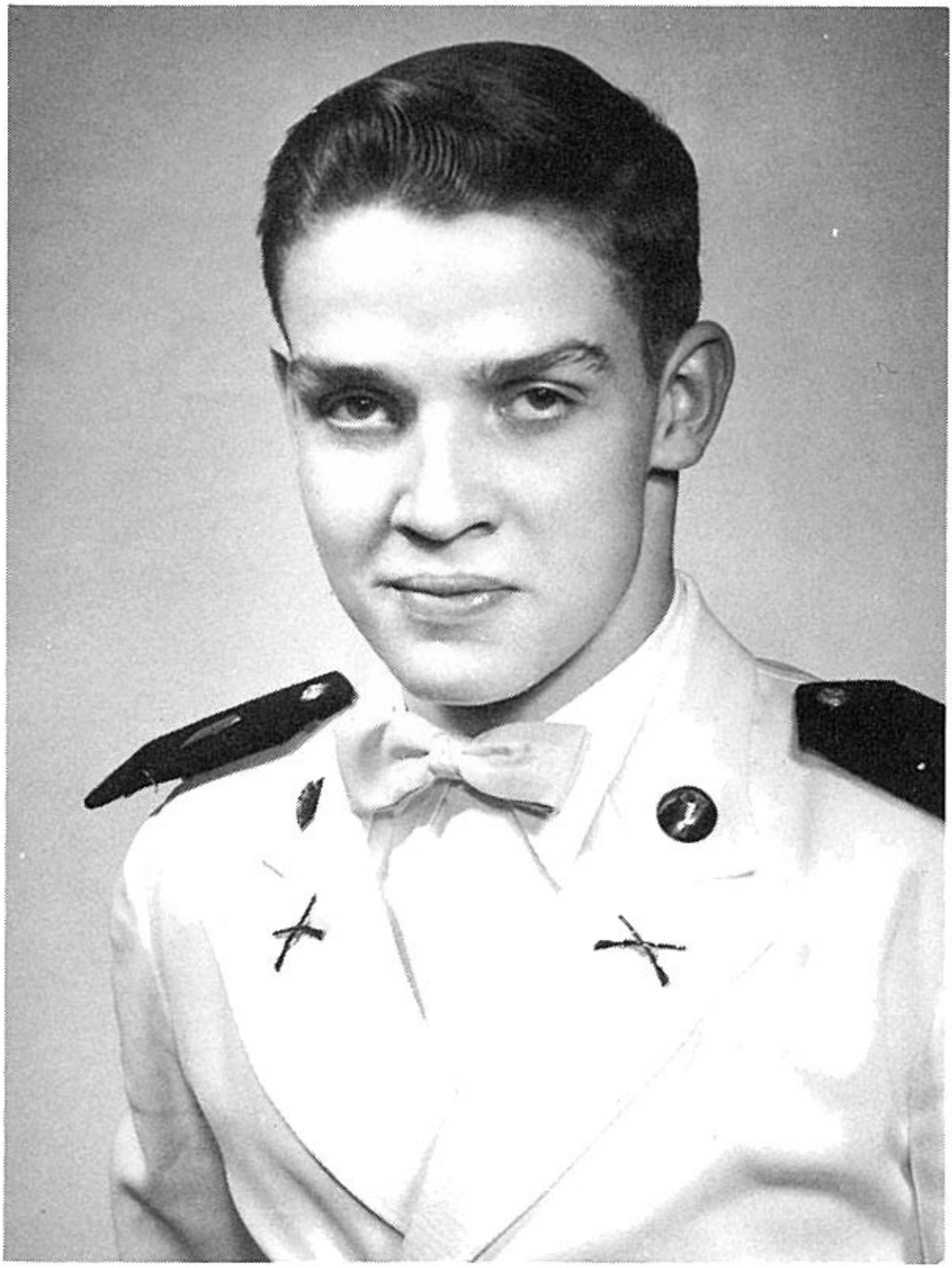
Seniors, remember that promotions came out on November 1st last year. That time is approaching. Act accord

Michael Herbert Wallis



SANDER MILLMAN VANOCUR

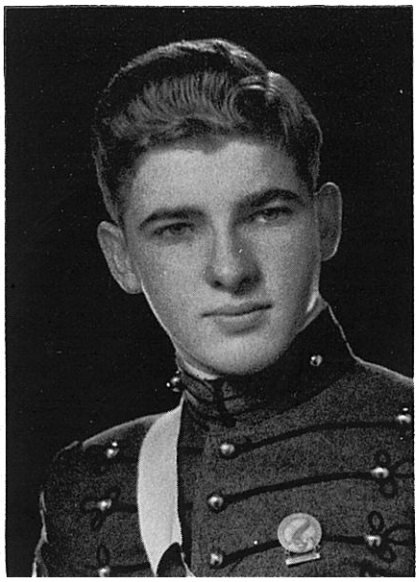
Treasurer

203 N. Glenwood
Peoria, Ill.

SANDY 5 YEARS

Sandy Vanocur had a right to be proud of his five eventful years at Western. He waxed eloquent in the field of oratory, and his quick, sometimes cutting, humor won many admiring friends. Sandy was a leader in many activities, but his leadership was not of the stellar or pedestal type. Rather he was the driving force behind projects that had influence in getting things done. He gave more time and effort to this yearbook than any other person did, and its completion is a monument to his work. His success in dramatics and sports will also be remembered. Sandy was handsome, with ruddy complexion set off by wavy black hair. This might well have been his motto: "I may be the first to oppose your opinion, but I will also be the first to defend your right to give that opinion."

Cadet Lieutenant Adjutant; Editor of the "Recall"; Senior Dance Committee; President of the Thespians; "A" Football 2 years; Varsity Soccer 4 years; Co-captain Soccer 1 year; J. V. Baseball 1 year; Senior Play.



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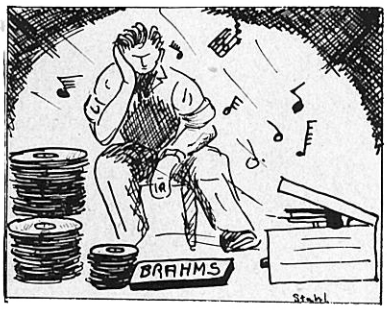
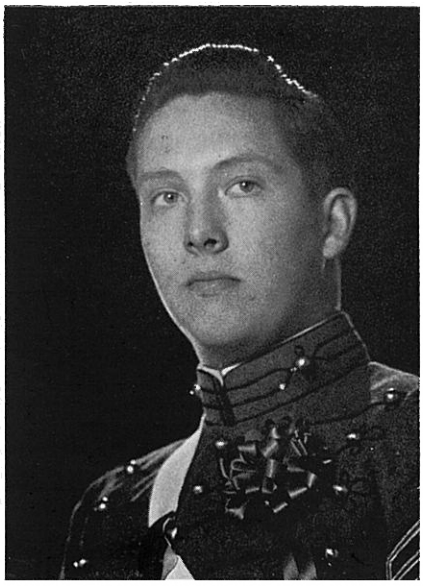


HENRY FRANKLIN YODER, III

Historian

Endowed with a reassuring smile and a heart-warming personality, Frank Yoder won his way into the hearts of all his classmates. Frank was one of those few persons who had a sincere interest in every acquaintance. He always had a gratifying concern for others. Frank's aspirations toward musical heights found their outlet and development on the piano keyboard. In addition, he was an outstanding student and a loyal supporter of all that was best in Western life. All of this combined to make him a notable cadet.

Cadet Lieutenant; Floor Chief of the 2nd of "B"; Military Editor of the "Recall"; Senior Play; J. V. Baseball 2 years; "B" Basket Ball 1 year; "C" Basket Ball 1 year.



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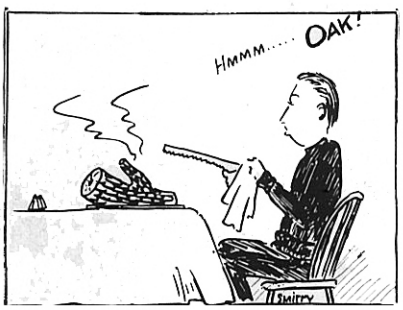

RICHARD CRAIG LAWSON

Sergeant-at-arms

Every school has its cardinal wit, and Dick Lawson filled that position unquestionably at Western. Through his four years here his close association with other humorists — Meyer, Marsh, Quinlan, and Vanocur—improved the calibre and increased the assortment of jokes and spontaneous jests. Dick impressed many of his fellow cadets by his wordly wisdom and his ability to master easily any situation. Lawson was the proud owner of a heavy-set build and rendered valuable service in various sports. He was especially outstanding in dramatics.

Cadet Lieutenant; Floor Chief of the 1st of "A"; Senior Play; Senior Dance Committee; Thespians; W Club; Varsity Football 2 years; J. V. Football 1 year; Varsity Baseball 1 year.

JOHN STELLE WMA 1907-8
GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS 1940-42
NATIONAL COMMANDER AMERICAN LEGION-1945

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TWO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF '18 WHO HAVE ACHIEVED INTERNATIONAL FAME

LEE TRACY

One of the two best known members of Western Alumni who has gained popularity throughtout the United States is Lee Tracy, born William Lee Tracy, April 14, 1898, at Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Tracy received his primary education at various schools throughout the south and middle-west.

When it came time for Lee to attend high school, his family was in St. Louis. In this city he attended a public high school for two years, then he transferred to Western, where he graduated two years later, in 1918.

While at W. M. A. Mr. Tracey became a sergeant in 'B' Company, bowled, played basketball and took part in dramatics.

Following his graduation, he enrolled at Union College, but before the first year ended he left school to join the Army. He was sent to an officers training camp at Camp Lee, Virginia. Tracy was soon promoted as an instructor of other embryo officers. He was placed in charge of close formation drill, a position which he retained until the Armistice was signed.

After loafing around his home, which was now in Sayre, Pa., Mr. Tracy went to New York to begin his second career—a career in the theatrical world. This second adventure began with a small vaudeville skit at thirty-five dollars a week and worked up to the present contract which he now holds with M. G. M. studios in Hollywood.

Stock company work followed vaudeville, then came his first Broadway appearance in "The Show Off", a play which ran fifty-two weeks.

Fox Film Corporation saw Western's son and signed him for a forty-week contract after his enormous success in "Big Time", his first film. Two more pictures followed this, then Tracy hopped a train to New York for another Broadway success. "Oh Promise Me."

Again Lee was called to the West where he has been making one big picture after another, his latest being "Clear All Wires".

Lee Tracy has been most kind in co-operating with the "Shrapnel" by sending his picture and biography and the paper hopes for his continued success in the theatrical and cinema worlds.

WILLIAM PALEY.

Mr. William Paley, of the Class of '18 is one of the most prominent, nationally, of all Western Alumni. Mr. Paley like his classmate, Lee Tracy, has had two interesting careers, one in the cigar business, while the other, the one in which he is now engaged, in the radio industry. Mr. Paley is the President of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

He was born in Chicago, where he obtained his elementary school training. He attended the Wharton School of finance of the University of Pennsylvania from which he was graduated with a B. S. degree three years later. This College career, however, was interming led with experiences derived from Paley,s father's cigar business. These experiences when read make a youth admire and envy this man for the difficulties which he faced and overcome. The story which is too long to relate involves an 18 year old boy's combat with a labor upheaval in his father's cigar factories. Mr. Paley continued at the cigar business until the purchase of the Columbia Broadcasting System. Mr. Paley, having a cigar program on the air, had been making a study of the radio for over a year, and decided to plunge into this new adventure.

One of Mr. Paley's pets in his industry is "The American School of the Air", which broadcasts five times a week. The programs are varied to appeal to the students of elementary and Junior and Senior High Schools.

Another interesting project on which this man is working is the development of international broadcasting. Mr. Paley has already opened a Columbia office in London.

Mr. Paley, like Mr. Tracy, very generously complied with the request made by a Sharpnel editor for his picture and biography.

It is gratifying to know that two such men as William Paley and Lee Tracy, who have achieved international recognition, are still not too busy nor preoccupied to remember and have an interest in their old Prep School and the cadets who are carrying on in their stead.

A. W. Harlow, '07, is a graduate of Washington U. He became a Captain of Infantry during the World War and was decorated for gallantry under fire. He is now the Vice-Presient and Manager of the Southwest Division of the Southern Surity Co.

F. S. Randle, '07, graduated from DePaul U. in 1911, after which he became history instructor on the faculty of W. M. A. Later he was Commandent of Cadets at Morgan Park Military Academy. Leaving Morgan Park he was made Superintendent of the Schools of Arizona. He is now Principal of the University High School at Madison Wisconsin, and is considered one of the outstanding educators in the more progressive field of education.

J. M. Crank, '09, completed his art course in New York after attending the Missouri Valley College. He is now quite a prominent illustrator, his work being seen in such magazines as the Saturday Evening Post and the Cosmopolitan.

Overton Harris, '22, visited at Western Sunday, May 21st. He has been spending the past six years out west.

W. J. Eyrman, '12, of St. Louis, upon leaving Western, entered into business with his father. He is now President of the Eyrman Brothers Construction Company, and is also operating one of the largest quarries in St. Louis.

O. W. Beauford, '13, who was the valedictorian of his class, is now doing construction work with the State Highway Department of Arkansas. He resides at Little Rock.

G. R. Balin, '16, is now head of the Ecoustical Department of the John Mansville Company. He was previously connected with the Burgess Labaratories. He is author of numerous inventions known as the Berlin Patents.

H. J. Collins, '15, graduated from West Point in 1918. He was a Captain in the Regular Army. He is considered an authority on the subject of Machine Gun Defense, having written many books on the subject.

O. E. Barber '12, specialized in the care of infants when he took his medical course at Bradley. Today he is located in Peoria, and is regarded as an authority in his field of specialization.

Robert Neill, of the class of '25, and a graduate of Missouri U. and Harvard Law School, is now practicing in S. Louis.

D. W. Maher, '15, also is a West Point graduate, was a Captain in the U. S. Army. He has been having a career in the Diplomatic Service as an attachee.

Cheppell B. Getzelman, '28, of Elgin, was a recent guest of Captain Leurig. Getzelman was graduated from Cornell University at Ithaca N. Y., and is employed in Chicago.

Karl Bat erman '28, has completed a semester's graduate work at Wisconsin U., where he made an O. B. degree in June, '32. During the fall he was acting president of the D. K. E. fraternity. He is now employed in Chicago.

H. K. Kimble, '15, attended Penn. U. and is now Vice-President and General Manager of the Kimble Glass Company, of Vineland, New York. It is the largest manufacturing concern of scientific glass apparatus.

J. W. Deitz '14, who was valedictorian in his class and an Illinois U. graduate is now the head of the Bond Department of the First National Bank, of St. Louis.

C. M. Adler, '17 who attended the Chicago U., after his graduation from Western, is now Vice-President of the Sears, Roebuck Company.

William Durham, '25, has been actively engaged in developing his father's insurance business in St. Louis.

Carl R. Grey, '07, also a graduate of Illinois U., entered the ice and fuel busines in Kansas City, Missouri. Later he took up banking and financing in Chicago. Thence the gen leman switched to railroading, an industry in which his father was quite prominent. Toay he is president of the C. St. P. M. & O. Railroad Company. Mr. Grey has been written up in both "Time" and "Fortune" as one of the most brilliant young American executives.

Russell Raith, '23, since his graduation from Washington U., has been employed as a chemist at the United Drug Company of St. Louis.

Gray Magee,'27, has a position with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in St. Louis. Mr. Magee made an excellent record at Dartmouth, where he was graduated in 1931.

Pickery Harral, '25, has received his M. D. degree from Northwestern after preliminary study at Washington and Lee, Missouri U., and St. Louis U. He is now in California.

Geo. Lukeman, Jr., '30,is actively associated with his father's automobile Company, in Jacksonville, Illinois.

R. G. Sada, the first Mexican student at Western, and of the class of '04, is now enjoying life south of the Rio Grande. Mr. Sada will be remembered by graduates of his time as a Cadet Captain and one of the most popular men of his class. After graduating from Michigan U., he returned to Monterey, where he organized the Glass Bottle Department of the Garza-Sada Brewery. He is now Vice-President and General Manager of this concern.

E. M. Schaefer, '05, has recently been elected to Congress to represent the twenty-second district at Washington. Mr. Schaefer is an Illinois U. graduate and has for many years been an important factor in politics in East St. Louis and vicinity.

P.Taylor Bryan, '08, is a graduate of Princeton University. For several years he has been Secretary-Treasurer and Vice-President of the St. Louis Princeton Club. He is quite prominent in financial circles and is considered an authority on stocks and bonds.

Arthur Schneithorst, '31, is attending Washington University.

SANDER VANOCUR, 46, HELPS COVER G.O.P. CONVENTION ON T.V.

Sander Vanocur, '46, was very much in the public eye during the recent Republican convention in San Francisco. One of the top newscasters for N.B.C., he was constantly seen on T.V. interviewing nationally known men in and out of the convention hall.

The "Shrapnel" has frequently had articles on his success in T.V. He has gone far in his chosen field.

Sander Vanocur was a 5-year cadet from Peoria and excelled in every field of activity at Western — academics, military, dramatics, and publications. He is especially remembered for his outstanding work in his senior year as the editor of the 1946 "Recall."

Sander Vanocur, '46, Has Feature Program For NBC

Sander Vanocur, Class '46, formerly of Peoria, Ill., has long been a prominent commentator and newscaster for NBC. On Friday, October 20, he conducted a 60-minute feature heard on KSD-TV, "American Profile - Canada Faces the Future". Vanocur interviewed many prominent people of that nation and also just ordinary people from all parts of Canada. The program explained what Canada faces in trying to become a strong, unified nation, though it is made up of citizens from many different countries. It was a very impressive television presentation.

Vanocur was a five-year cadet at Western, editor of the "Recall", varsity athlete, Battalion Adjutant, and winner of other honors. He has won great success in television. During the late John F. Kennedy's tenure as President, he was assigned to cover the news and activities at the White House.

SANDER VANOCUR, '46, IS WRITING BOOK

Col. R. B. Jackson recently talked by 'phone to Sander Vanocur, '46, who has been for several years a top newscaster and commentator for the N.B.C. network. He is on a six-month leave to write a book and will resume work with N.B.C. on May 3rd. He expects to be sent to London.

Sander sent regards to friends at Western and was pleased to know that they missed him on the T.V. screen. His home address—3122 Ordway St., Washington 8, D.C.

SANDER VANOCUR, 1946, SPEAKS AT ST. LOUIS COLLEGE

Sander Vanocur, Class '46, NBC News Correspondent, recently addressed the students and faculty of Meramec Community College in St. Louis. Vanocur came to Western as a cadet from Peoria and has become famous in the field of television news.

SANDER VANOCUR, '46 HAS OWN TV SPOT

Sander Vanocur, Class '46, formerly of Peoria, Ill., now has his own program on T.V. He broadcasts NBC news and comments at 5:15 P.M. on Saturdays, as well as appearing at other times. "Sandy" has been a prominent young newscaster for N.B.C. for several years.

SANDY VANOCUR, '46, CALLED WHITE HOUSE MAN FOR N.B.C.

Sander Vanocur, Class '46, continues to win recognition as one of the outstanding young news commentators of the country. A feature article in the New York Times called him "The White House Man for N.B.C."

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After graduating from Western, Vanocur studied at Northwestern University and the London School of Economics. He was on the Northwestern debating team.

After two years with the Army in Europe, he wrote for the Manchester Guardian and the London Observer, and he broadcast for the British Broadcasting Corporation and the Columbia Broadcasting System's London bureau. In 1955 he was on the staff of the New York Times, and in 1957 he joined N.B.C.

At Western Sandy was treasurer of his class, Adjutant, editor of the "Recall", president of the Thespians, and varsity letter man in football and soccer.

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SANDER VANOCUR, '46, QUIZZES PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES ON TV

Sander Vanocur, '46, formerly of Peoria, Ill., continues to be one of the top news commentators for C.B.S.

Last week at the joint debate between presidential candidates, Nixon and Kennedy, Vanocur was one of the four panel members representing the big T.V. networks who asked questions of the speakers during the nation-wide broadcast.

At Western "Sandy" was editor of the "Recall", president of the Thespians, Cadet Adjutant, a 2-year varsity man in football and a 4-year man in soccer.

Vanocur has gone far in the field of television.

Jack Quinlan, '44, Cubs' Sportscaster, Killed In Auto Crash In Arizona

Jack Quinlan, Class '44, famous and beloved sports announcer of the Chicago Cubs baseball team over station WGN, was killed near Phoenix, Arizona, on Friday night, March 19, when his car smashed into a parked semi-trailer at a dangerous intersection as he was returning from a golf game. It was the sixth crash to occur at that spot in six days.

Quinlan was in Arizona to broadcast the Cubs' spring training games. He had been on the WGN staff since 1958, and his recent television partner was Lou Boudreau. He had been a sportscaster since 1948 in Tuscola, Peoria, and Chicago. He was known as "The Voice of the Cubs." His death was front-page news in all Illinois papers. He had been voted as the best Illinois sportscaster four years in a row, 1962, 1963, 1964, and 1965, by the National Sportscasters Association.

In Sports At Western

Jack had been a Cubs fan since he was a boy, and he was known and loved by thousands of fans. He was born in Peoria, but he lived in Winnetka at the time he was a Western cadet. At W.M.A. Jack was very active in sports. He played football two years, but the "Recall" stated that his real love was baseball. He starred on the varsity team for two years. He was an announcer here for many sports contests. The yearbook also said, "Jack knew his athletics, records and all, and was the key sports writer on the Shrapnel staff." He belonged to the Quill and Scroll, the Thespians, and the Senior Quartet. He went on to graduate from Notre Dame University in 1948.

Was Greatly Beloved

Sports writers everywhere paid tribute to Jack Quinlan's broadcasting and to his excellent character. The following excerpts are by David Condon in the Chicago Tribune: "Jack Quinlan was class, cheer, and companionship. . . . Jack's voice, you might say, carried a handshake with it. . . . He was a happy man at his job. Baseball was the life he

WESTERN GRADS ARE TOP T.V. ANNOUNCERS

Did you know that three W.M.A. grads are prominent announcers on television in the Chicago area?

George Steingoetter, '37, (T. V. name George Stone) is a top commercial announcer for NBC in Chicago. He was formerly from Belleville, Ill.

Jack Quinlan, '44, (T.V. name Jack Quinn), formerly of Winnetka, Ill., is one of the best sports announcers in that area.

Sander Vanocur, '46, formerly of Peoria, Ill., is an important news commentator for CBS. He travels over the country covering news events. In the November elections, he was the commentator who summarized and interpreted the returns for CBS in Chicago.

Add to these grads, who are successful in T.V., William S. Paley, '18, head of the Columbia Broadcasting System, and George Henderson, '35, executive vice president of Station WSCO, Charlotte, N. C.

GARY MUELLER RECEIVES M. T. O. AWARD

At a special ceremony on Mother's Day at a meeting held by the M. T. O. in honor of visiting mothers, Gary Mueller, '60, was presented the Emeritus Award by Col Persing (center), Headmaster, and Maj. Malone, sponsor of the Table Organization. This award is given yearly to a young graduate and former M. T. O. member who has already achieved success in his chosen field. Mueller graduated from the University of Missouri in June in journalism and will go on next year to win his M.A. degree.

GARY MUELLER, '60, ON POST-DISPATCH STAFF

Gary R. Mueller, Class '60, of Belleville, Ill., is a member of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch staff. Last week he covered the prep football games for his paper. He is a graduate of the Missouri U. School of Journalism.

Gary was a "Shrapnel" editor at Western, a cadet captain, and member of the National Honor Society, Club 400, M.T.O., the Thespians, "Recall" staff, and "W" Club. He was president of the Club 400 and chairman of the M.T.O. He has received the M.T.O. Emeritus Award.

GARY MUELLER, '60, REPORTS W.M.A. GAME FOR POST-DISPATCH

Gary R. Mueller, '60, former "Shrapnel" editor and winner of the MTO Emeritus Award, is now on the staff of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and reports many sports events. He covered the game which Western recently lost to Lutheran South, by a big score. Gary quoted the Raiders' Coach Johnson as saying, "The kids didn't look like they wanted to play football".

Mueller graduated from the University of Missouri's School of Journalism. The outstanding honors won at Western were: Cadet Captain, National Honor Society, cum laude graduate, "W" Club, "Shrapnel" editor, Quill and Scroll, "Recall" staff, chairman of MTO, president of 400 Club, Thespians, Cadespians, and marksmanship awards.

GARY MUELLER, '60, IS STILL WRITING FOR POST-DISPATCH

Gary R. Mueller, '60, former fine "Shrapnel" editor, is writing signed sports articles for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. He graduated from the University of Missouri School of Journalism. He was from Belleville, Illinois.

Some of Gary's honors here—Cadet Captain, National Honor Society, President of Club 400, Chairman of MTO, Quill and Scroll, "Recall" staff, Honor Guard, Cadespians and Thespians, "W" Club, dance committees, winner of MTO Emeritus Award.

Richard Barker, '20, Was The Original "Buster Brown"

We are indebted to Terry Shroyer, Class '49, of Denver for a feature article about Richard S. Barker, '20, who was the original "Buster Brown." He now lives in Dixon, Wyoming, and has been in the livestock business in that area and a rodeo competitor.

Who was Buster Brown? Back in the early 1900's he was the hero of a popular comic strip—a cute, mischievous boy with long, yellow, curly hair. He wore a knickerbocker suit and had a dog named Tige.

The Brown Shoe Company of St. Louis adopted Buster Brown as a trademark for boys' shoes, and wanted to send a boy who looked like the character around the country to publicize the shoes.

That's where Barker came in. He was born in Framington, Mass., and his mother was a dancing teacher. He was chosen to be Buster Brown. For six years he and his mother toured the United States with his dog Tige. He made public appearances.

Barker was talented and was very attractive, but they were lonely years. By 1913 he would stay in his hotel room because some kids would poke fun at his long yellow curls.

When the act broke up, Barker entered school. He later enrolled at Western and graduated in 1920. "I never let it out at Western that I had been Buster Brown", he said. "Would you have?"

Mr. Barker met a pretty girl on a boat trip on the Mississippi, and she became his bride. They went to the Snake River country along the Colorado-Wyoming border and have lived there ever since. They have a daughter, Mrs. Bob Terrill.

MacDONALD BROTHERS '26 AND '30 TO BUILD ARCH IN ST. LOUIS

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch recently had a feature article on the MacDonald Construction Co., which will build the Saarinen arch on the river front at St. Louis, a part of the great city development.

William MacDonald came from Scotland 61 years ago to found the firm. His son Robert E. "Gene" MacDonald, Class '26, is president of the company, and another son, Wilfred V. MacDonald, Class '30, is vice president and secretary.

Gene graduated from Washington and Lee in civil engineering and went into the firm at once. Wilfred attended Washington U. and Cornell and served with distinction in the diplomatic service in Canada, Turkey, Suez Canal Zone, and the Philippines before he decided to come back to the family business.

The MacDonald Company has had some of the biggest building contracts in this country. A few of them are: the Paul Brown Building, the Butler Building, the Frisco Building, barracks in the Canal Zone, Camp Robinson near Little Rock, Camp Crowder at Neosho, Mo., guided missile bases in the Bahamas, and military installations in Alaska and Washington.

Recently the firm built the $12,000,000 engineering campus of McDonnell Aircraft Corp. and a $11,000,000 extension to the Chevrolet Assembly Plant.

The Saarinen arch in St. Louis will be of stainless steel. It will be finished by 1964.

The father, Mr. William MacDonald, nearly 80 years old, is chairman of the boad. He and his two sons, both W.M.A. grads, operate one of the 50 largest construction companies in the U. S.

W. W. Schott, 1911, Has Had Fabulous Career; Writes Of W.M.A. Cadet Days

William W. Schott, Class 1911, recently wrote an interesting letter to Col. R. B. Jackson from Germany. He was glad to get alumni news and he recalled with a "feeling of gratitude and a sense of affection the gentlemen of W.M.A. who inculcated in me a physical, moral, and spiritual idea which has sustained me through the years."

He mentioned the inspirational leadership of Col. A. M. Jackson. He said that Maj. Lowe, Commandant, was an extraordinary person who insisted on proper military bearing and appearance. He was loved and respected by the cadets.

Mr. Schott remembered Maj. Eaton and his dog "Curley" who attended all formations; Max von Binzer, who ran the cadet store; Maj. "Sporty" Bob Wilkinson, a great teacher; Capt. Engelhardt, who taught physics; Capt. Jenkins, asst. commandant, and his droll sense of humor; and the charming Miss Dickinson, who taught English and literature. (Note — Miss Dickinson later married the late F. N. Henderson, Class '13, who was Commandant at W.M.A. for so many years.)

Interesting Career

Mr. Schott himself has had a fabulous career and is now retired. He was born in Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1894. After graduating from Western, he graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy and attended the University of Poitiers School for Foreign Students and the University of Eger, Hungary.

His career is so varied and brilliant that only a list of his achievements can be printed here.

He has held the following positions in military service and diplomatic service:

W. W. SCHOTT, 1911

Midshipman and commissioned officer, U. S. Navy, 1911-1921. Lieutenant Commander, U. S. N. R. (retired). Secretary of U. S. Delegation, Allied Naval Armistice Commission of Control, 1919-1920. Assistant Naval Attache, London and Paris, 1920. Naval Liaison Officer with U. S. Army on the Rhine, 1920. Resigned naval commission in 1921 because of ill health. Entered U. S. Foreign Service, 1922. Served successively as observer in Ruhr Valley during French occupation, and at Palermo, Gibraltar, Naples, Rome, Paris (Private Secretary to Ambassador Myron T. Herrick), El Salvador, Berlin, Mexico City, Bucharest, Budapest, and Lisbon, to June 1942. First Secretary and Charge d'Affaires at Tangier, August, 1942 - February 1943. Deputy Civil Administrator and Chief of North African Economic Board, Oran, February, 1943-April, 1944. Alternately Political Adviser to U. S. Military Governor of Rome, to Commanding General P.B.S. and C.B.S., 1943-1944. Vice President and Chief of Political Section, Allied Control Commission, July, 1944-April, 1945. American Embassy at Athens, April, 1945-1946. Chief of Liaison and Protocol Section,OMGUS, and of U. S. Element, Allied Liaison and Protocol Section, Allied Control Authority for Germany, November, 1946-September, 1948. Chief, Foreign Governmental Representation, Office of U. S. Political Adviser, CINCEUR, September, 1948 to August, 1949. Tripartite Chief of Protocol, Allied High Commission for Germany, August, 1949, to July 1, 1954. Retired.

Rey Scott, Former Cadet, Lectures On War In Far China

Noted News Correspondent Also Shows Pictures From War Zone

Last Tuesday evening, Feb. 15, at 8:00 o'clock, the Western cadet corps heard one of the best lectures ever presented at the Academy when they heard Rey Scott, famous war correspondent and roving reporter, tell of his adventures in the China war zone.

They also saw his pictures showing Japan in action in China. Mr. Scott, a cadet at Western in 1922, has been connected with numerous newspapers and at present is a roving reporter on the London Daily Telegraph. For the last four years he has been making pictures in far-off places and was in Hawaii at the outbreak of war in China.

Immediately catching the first liner for the East, he arrived in Shanghai just in time to catch the Shanghai Express for Nanking. The trip was without events except that the passengers had to get out of the train eighteen times for fear of being bombed. This railroad is now known as the Suicide Express ,since it is bombed on practically every trip that it makes. Mr. Scott was in Nanking during the 65 days of terror and bombardment. While there he had many exciting adventures about which he told the cadets a great deal. One of the most exciting ones was the time when he was on a Red Cross hospital roof as Japanese bombers tried to destroy it. Thousand-pound bombs were exploding within a stone's throw of him.

Saw Burning Of Canton

From Nanking Scott left for Canton and arrived in time to see the evacuation of all but a thousand of the city's population of over 2,000,000 people. To make the attack on Canton the Japanese troops made one of

Rey Scott, Former Cadet, Wins Award For Film, "Kukan"

Rey (Reynolds) Scott, former W. M. A. cadet from '19 to '21, received an award at the recent Hollywood dinner of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for his fine picture, "Kukan," the story of China's struggle. It was the first award ever made for a documentary film.

Rey Scott, formerly of St. Louis, has been an aviator, adventurer, and film expert for several years. China was his field, where he became very popular with officials and natives alike. Every few years, Rey Scott would write a letter to Col. Jackson or Major Moore stating he was returning to the U. S. with more films and adventure stories. He has appeared at the school several times with his movies and lectures.

After a brief stay in this country, the restless Rey Scott always plunged back into the interior of China to seek more adventures and to film again China's brave struggle against the Japs. Rey Scott has always admired the Chinese.

Now his film story of China, "Kukan," put together after so many trips to China and so many months of hardships, has won the Academy award for pictures of its type. And soon Rey Scott, lured by the call of adventure, will probably be off to some distant corner of the globe, carrying his camera and his gun.

Rey Scott, Former Cadet, Once More Is Seeking Adventure

Rey Scott, former cadet from '19 to '23, who has twice delivered lectures at Western in recent years, is off on his travels and search for adventure again. He writes from Chungking, China, where he is making reels of colored movies of Jap air raids and also a series of pictures for "Life". Scott always goes to places where there are thrills and danger and then returns to the U. S. to show pictures and to lecture. He will be back from China in November.

Rey Scott says that Chuangking is bombed nearly every day. He writes: "Correspondents and newsmen used to remain out of dugouts during raids. They used to stand outside and watch the show. But not any more! By Joe! Every man Jack dives for cover now when Jap planes come over. That's because, whereas they used to come in waves of 15 or 20, now they come in waves of at least 150, or it isn't a number one raid!"

Scott says his pictures show how people live underground to avoid raids, with newspaper offices, machine shops and government offices, all in the heart of a hill.

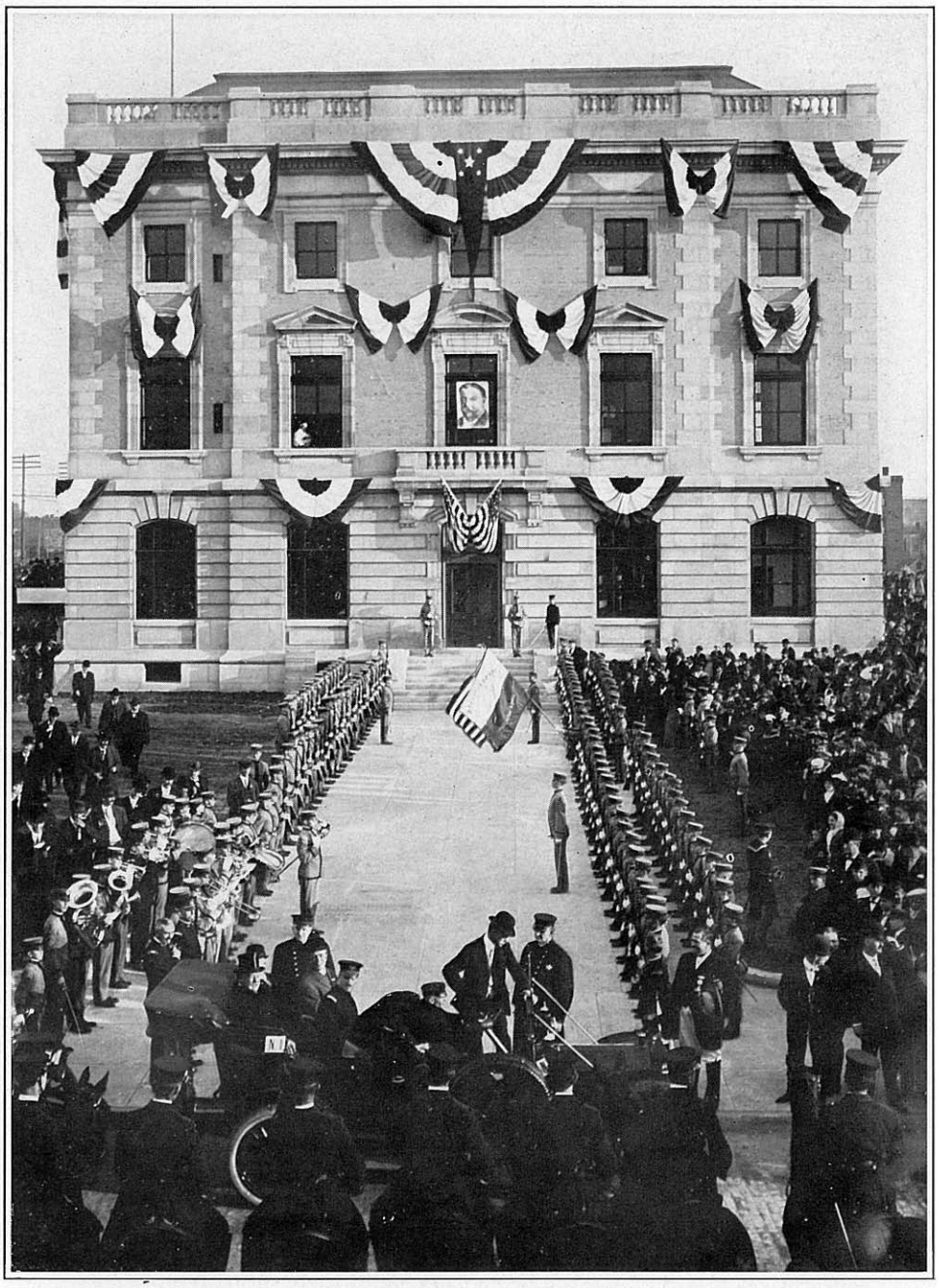
Rey Scott, Former Cadet, Booked For Lecture At W. M. A.

Western cadets often hear famous speakers at the school, but this week the speaker is to be a former cadet, Reynolds "Rey" Scott, who was a student here for two years in '17-'18, '18-'19. His home was in St. Louis.

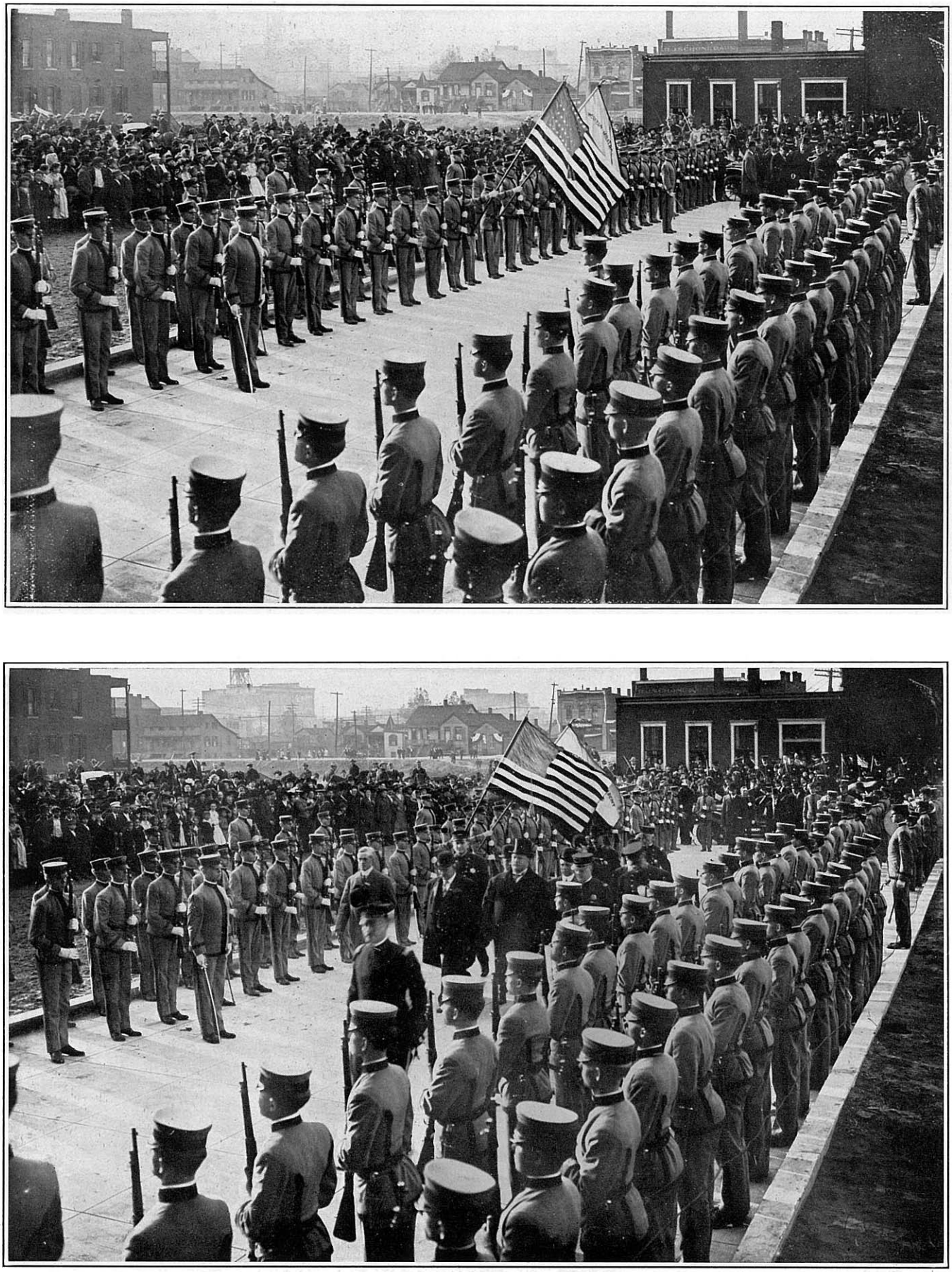
The "Shrapnel" will print an account of his lecture, scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, next week.

Rey Scott has become a well-known foreign correspondent. He made a "scoop" by taking colored pictures of the burning of Shanghai during the fighting there between the Chinese and Japanese armies, and was said to be the only correspondent to see the "world's greatest fire." He was the first to get overland from Canton.

Mr. Scott is in this country for ninety days on a leave of absence and he has been booked solidly to tell of his thrilling experiences and to show his pictures.



Battalion of Western Military Academy Cadets, President Taft's Escort, Dedication of Federal Building, East St. Louis, Ill., Oct. 25, 1909.



Western Military Academy Cadets, East St. Louis, Ill.
Presenting Arms to President Taft, Oct. 25, 1909.

Lt. Bob McIntyre, Class '47, Killed On Korea Front

Graduate From Quincy, Ill., Commanded Infantry Platoon

News was received early this week of the death of Second Lt. Robert E. McIntyre, Class '47, who was killed in action in Korea on March 5.

Lieutenant McIntyre lived at 1025 Maine, Quincy, Ill. After graduating from Western, he attended West Point, but left to receive his commission at Ft. Benning, Ga., in the Infantry.

He arrived in Korea last Christmas Eve, and the day after Christmas was sent to the front. He served at Camp Roberts, California, until he received overseas orders.

Mother Was Reading Letter

Lieut. McIntyre was commander of the Third Platoon, Company "B", 179th Infantry, 45th Division. His mother was reading a letter from him, mailed a few days earlier, when she received the telegram notifying her of his death. He had written that he had taken a patrol 2000 yards into enemy territory, but had not contacted the foe. Some of his men, however, had been casualties of shell fragments.

Lieut. McIntyre belonged to a military family. His father, J. H. McIntyre, is a retired major of the army. One brother, First Lt. J. D. McIntyre, is a B-35 flight engineer stationed at Rapid City, S. D. Another brother, W. H. McIntyre, was a petty officer first class in the navy during World War II. He is also survived by four married sisters.

Fine Record At W.M.A.

Bob McIntyre attended Western three years and graduated as a staff sergeant. He was a star swimmer and also took part in track. He was a clever cartoonist. He was on the glee club three years. But more than that, Bob was a warm-hearted, friendly cadet of excellent character who was well liked by the cadets and faculty.

The "Shrapnel" expresses sympathy to Lieut. McIntyre's family. He joined the ever-increasing group of Western grads who saw service in Korea, and like Lieut. Bob Thorp of Springfield, Ill., and Lieut. Bob Warner of St. Louis, he gave his life.

Capt. Herman Roesch, 1929, Dies Hero's Death In Korea

Capt. Herman W. Roesch, Class '29, 9515 Upland Drive, Affton, Mo., died a heroic death resisting overwhelming numbers of the enemy in Korea on October 31, 1950.

This news was received by Mrs. Roesch and his son, Cadet Robert Herman Roesch, now a student at Western, just before Thanksgiving from the Adjutant General.

It was a sad holiday season for them. Capt. Roesch had been reported missing since October, 1950, but his family hoped that he might be among the prisoners of war. They never gave up hope. His son, Cadet Roesch, entered Western three years ago.

When the Korean War ended, an officer released as a prisoner of war told of Capt. Roesch's death. He was with the same Infantry outfit as General Dean was in North Korea. Capt. Roesch was killed by enemy gunfire in combat, and he died resisting overwhelming numbers of the enemy to the very last. He has been recommended post-humously for the D.S.C.

Capt. Herman Roesch had a fine career at Western. He was an outstanding student. He attended the Rolla School of Mines later and was in the furniture business in Lemay, Mo., before entering the service. He was married to Miss Violet M. Magel. He joins the ranks of those glorious Western grads who gave their all in the service of their country.

Other Western grads killed in Korea include 2nd Lieut. Bob McIntyre, '47, of Quincy, Ill., killed in action, March 5, 1953; Lieut. Bob Warner, '44, Webster Groves, Mo., killed in an aircraft accident in Korea, July 3, 1952; and Lieut. Bob Thorp, '46, of Springfield, Ill., the first to lose his life.

Capt. H. W. Roesch, Class '29, Killed In Action In Korea

More information received last December, when prisoners of war were exchanged in Korea, indicates that Capt. Herman W. Roesch, Class '29, was killed in action on October 30, 1950, resisting overwhelming forces of the enemy along the Yalu River.

Lt. Col. Harry Fleming, who was with Capt. Roesch in that engagement, told the story after being released as a P.O.W. He himself had been wounded and captured.

Col. Fleming said: "Capt. Roesch died resisting overwhelming numbers of the enemy to the very last." He stated that on October 25 they had moved up with the 7th Regiment to the Yalu River. On October 30 they ran into heavy enemy opposition. The regiment was scattered. Col. Fleming, Col. Rim, and Capt. Roesch with a force of 100 men tried to by-pass the Communists in the mountains. They were attacked by 250 Communists. Col. Fleming, Capt. Roesch, two American soldiers, and one Korean attempted to hold off the enemy until the rest of the troops could reassemble and come to the rescue or escape. The Chinese made 4 attacks on these five men, and the last attack was made with machine guns and mortar fire. Three of the Americans, including Captain Roesch, were killed and the others captured.

Col. Fleming stated that he is convinced that the delaying action of these five heroes enabled the Regimental Commander and his men to escape and reach safety. Capt. Roesch had been reported missing, but the real story was not known until the prisoners were exchanged.

Capt. Roesch's widow lives now in Affton, Missouri. His son, Cadet Sgt. Robert Herman Roesch, is a member of this year's 75th Anniversary Senior Class, just as his father was a member of the 50th graduating class.

Lieut. Don Reed, '47, Shows Pictures Of Korea To Faculty

Lieut. Donald I. Reed of Oak Park, Ill., and his mother were guests at the Academy last weekend.

Lieut. Reed, who was noted for his skill in electricity and gadgets while a cadet, has been back from Korea for three weeks. He and Lieut. William Green, both of the Class of '47, returned from Korea about the same time.

Lieut. Green and his wife and Lieut. Reed and his mother were among the guests at Col. Jackson's faculty dinner.

Had Dangerous Job

Reed was with an ordnance disposal outfit in Korea. His unit had the dangerous and delicate job of picking up unexploded shells, bombs, and mines in the combat area. If the ammunition could be used, it was saved. If not, it had to be destroyed.

Don Reed, an expert photographer, had colored slides showing his experiences in Korea from the time he left the U. S. until he returned. After the buffet dinner, faculty officers and guests saw the projection of these pictures in the library. They were fascinated by what they saw and by Reed's informal, interesting, humorous comments.

Beauty Of Korea

The pictures, of course, showed the work of the demolition unit, the collecting of unexploded ammunition, and the destroying of dangerous shells and bombs by explosion. There were shots of U. S. and Korean troops, camps, gun emplacements, camp entertainments—the whole panorama of warfare in Korea. But more than that, Reed, who has an eye for beauty, recorded the change of the seasons in mountainous Korea, the deep green of summer, the bleakness and snow of winter, the gorgeous color of autumn leaves and spring flowers, sunsets, mountain streams, volcanoes, shrines, and palaces. Many of these scenes

LT. DON STEARNS, '48, ON DUTY IN KOREA

First Lieut. Don Stearns, Class '48, 1607 Lake Ave., Richmond, Va., is on duty with the 2nd Medical Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division, in Korea. He recently spent five days in Japan for rest and recreation.

Lieut. Stearns attended the College of William and Mary after leaving Western. His wife, Kathryn, lives in Alexandria, Va.

LIEUT. TOM BLACK, '48, formerly of University City, Mo., but now of Pasadena, Calif., recently returned from active duty in Korea. He was seriously wounded in combat last April. Although his flak vest was pierced by shrapnel and he was wounded in the arms, face, and legs, he remained at his forward observation post with his men until relieved. For this he was awarded the Silver Star Medal and was promoted to first lieutenant. Upon returning to duty, he was again wounded, and he received a second Purple Heart and the Bronze Star Medal. Tom was commissioned as a Paratroop Officer at Ft. Benning, Ga., and went to Korea with the 9th Infantry in December, 1952. He attended Washington U. and U.C.L.A. before entering the service. He has fully recovered from his wounds. Black was valedictorian of his class here, a cadet captain, president of the Club 400, National Honor Society member, and a star athlete.

LIEUT. TOM BLACK SEES ACTION AGAIN AFTER BEING WOUNDED

Lieut. Tom Black, Class '48, who was wounded in Korea last spring, has rejoined his unit after two months in the Osaka Hospital, according to a letter from his father in Pasadena, California.

With the 9th Infantry, 2nd Division, 1st Battalion, Tom again was in hot action on Finger Ridge. He said his battalion had a rough time for three days and that he was lucky to be able to walk away when the fight was over.

Tom formerly lived in St. Louis.

LIEUT. DON REED, '47, RECEIVES CITATIONS; WILL MARRY IN JUNE

Lieut. Don Reed, '47, of 206 South Grave St., Oak Park, Ill., was given a Commendation Ribbon and a citation for his work in Korea as a member of the 22nd Ordnance Disposal squad. These honors were awarded last fall after he had returned to this country.

Lieut. Reed's work in disposing of unexploded shells, bombs, and ammunition in Korea is considered extremely hazardous. The citation parised his excellent service, devotion to duty, knowledge, and leadership.

Don Reed visited Western last fall and showed some excellent colored pictures of his Korean activities to the cadets and faculty.

Only last week he was on the campus again. He has decided to make the army his career and is now stationed at Camp Breckenridge, Ky. Lieut. Reed also stated that he will be married next June to Miss Beverley

MAJOR JOHNSON, FORMER PMST, NOW IN KOREA

Maj. N. I. Johnson, PMST, at Western for three years until the end of 1957-58, recently wrote Col. Jackson from Seoul, Korea. He was much interested in the success of the corps last year and in the many friends that he made.

Maj. Johnson had an operation on his ankle in Zama, Japan, but is now all right. He is assigned to 8th Army Headquarters, G4 Plans Division, Seoul, Korea. He finished in the top ten of his class at Ft. Benning before going overseas.

Maj. Johnson met an old cadet, Brownlee, of '37 in Korea and had a good visit. He is a D.A. civilian with the G4 Division of the Army.

Maj. Johnson states that his family are all well. Wynn, his son, graduate of '58, plans to attend the University of Florida this year.

Maj. Johnson sends regards to "my cadets".

LT. TOM BLACK, '48, WOUNDED IN KOREA

Mr. G. M. Black sends news from Pasadena, Calif., of his son, Lieut. Tom C. Black, Class '48, who was a cadet captain, valedictorian, National Honor Society member, 400 Club member, and star athlete in football, soccer, and baseball. He formerly lived at University City, Mo.

Lieut. Tom Black was severely wounded by mortar fire on March 26. His unit, the 2nd Division, repulsed an attack by the Chinese at Little Gibraltar. An exploding shell blew off Tom's armored vest and holster belt, and Tom received severe face wounds. After emergency treatment in Korea, he was taken by helicopter to Japan.

Lieut. Black was struck by 15 shell fragments, but he expects to be back on duty soon. He was awarded the Good Conduct Medal and promoted to first lieutenant.

His temporary address:
Lt. Thomas C. Black, 01925151, Osaka Army Hospital, 8009th AU, APO 1007, Cfo. Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

WM. ANDERSON GREEN

Five feet, eight inches tall, and good-looking is Billy Green, usually called "Dimples" by the girls. Bill is equally well known on the athletic field or on the dance floor. He has plenty of courage. In spite of injuries to his knees which kept him out of "A" football last fall, he has earned letters in "B" and "C" football and basket ball, and "A" and "J.V" letters in baseball. He was voted the A. B. C. sportsmanship award in '44 and received the "W" Club medal for being the outstanding "B" athlete in '45-'46.

Bill is an all-round athlete, and he appeared in the horse show last spring in competition with some of the best riders in the St. Louis area. He rode Don Juan, a Tennessee Walking Horse, which requires top skill in handling.

Green also likes to dance and to attend social events. He has made honor grades in academics up until this year. He is a second lieutenant in the battalion, commanding the first platoon of "C". He rooms in "C" Barrack and runs the first floor with a firm hand.

Bill is really a part of Western, for his father, Capt. Green, is instructor in mathematics, and his mother, Mrs. Green, is dietitian and social director.

Green's ambition is to make the "W" Club. Maybe he will succeed this year, as he has chances to win two "A" letters.

After graduation, Bill plans to study veterinary medicine at the University of Illinois. He is friendly, dependable, cooperative, and well-balanced. His numerous friends will wish him luck and happiness. So long, Bill.

By Emswiler, H.

SNOW WILSON, '52, WRITES FROM KOREA

R. Snow Wilson, '52, formerly of Osceola, Ark., recently wrote Col. Moore from Korea, where he is with Co. "D", 51st Signal Battalion (corps), APO 358, San Francisco, Calif. Snow is married and is the father of two children. He recently went to Korea.

Wilson said in part: "I wish you could see this place. Never in my life have I seen anything to equal it, and I hope I never will. I am writing by candelight because there is no electricity. All of the bathrooms are outside the tent, and it is snowing. What would I give to be back in 'A' Barracks! I never had it so good."

Wilson sent regards to all old friends. He wrote, "If you have any 'smart' cadets, send them to Korea. We'll take care of them".

BILL GREEN ,'47, NOW FIRST LIEUTENANT IN KOREAN FORCES

Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Green are happy over recent news from Korea about their son, Bill Green, Class '47.

He has been promoted and is now First Lieut. William A. Green. He has also been assigned to a headquarters company and is thus removed from the front line combat where he has been and where he was wounded since he went to Korea.

Lieut. Green's wife and child are in Alton while he is overseas.

Capt. and Mrs. Green talked to their son by long distance in Korea Monday. Lieut. Green said that he had been in the front lines since Aug. 5, 1951, as platoon leader, company commander, and Battalion S-3. He has received the Purple Heart and Bronze Star.

Lieut. Green in his new job will plan operations for training and combat. At the time he 'phoned his wife, he was on leave in Tokyo for a rest and had been visiting a former classmate, Lieut. Jay Baker, '47, who is also on duty there.

Jay Baker is the brother of Cadet Doug Baker. His attractive wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Baker were on the campus Saturday for the football game.

Lt. William Green Wounded In Korea

Early last week news was received from the U. S. Government that Lt. William Green, son of Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Green and a W.M.A. graduate of '47, had been seriously wounded in action in Korea. The communication came to his wife, the former Miss Anne Waterhouse of Alton. No particulars were given.

Later a letter from Lieut. Green to his wife stated that he had been wounded and that he had incurred a head injury. However, he wrote that after hospitalization and treatment he was again on duty in the front lines. So the exact situation is not known at this time.

—B. Haddad, A.

LT. BILL GREEN, '47, IN KOREAN FIGHTING

Lieut. William Green, Class '47, son of Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Green, is now believed to be in the thick of the fighting in Korea. He received his commission in O.C.S. at Ft. Benning, Georgia, and was an instructor there for a while. Last July he was sent overseas and by August 8 he was in the front lines in combat. As Capt. Green said, "He received a baptism of fire."

Before going overseas, Lieut. Green was here long enough for the birth of his son. His wife is the former Miss Ann Waterhouse, sister of Cadet Tom Waterhouse of last year's graduating class. Naturally, Capt. and Mrs. Green are concerned over the increased fighting now going on in Korea. Their other son, John Green, Class '50, is in training at Fort Knox, Ky.

Lt. William Green Decorated By Gen. Smith In Korea

Lt. William A. Green, '47, son of Capt. and Mrs. W. H. Green of Western, was recently awarded the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Bronze Star Medal. The presentation was made by Maj. Gen. Wayne C. Smith, 7th Infantry Division Commander in Korea. Lt. "Bill" Green was decorated for services as planning officer with the 7th Division.

Lt. "Bill" Green received his commission from O.C.S. at Ft. Benning, Ga., and acted as an instructor there for a while. He was sent to Korea and was wounded in action there last fall. He received the Purple Heart.

His wife, the former Anne Waterhouse, and son live at 45 Fairmount Addition in Alton.

His brother, John Green, '50, is also overseas in Japan.

LT. JACKSON ATTENDS FUNERAL OF LT. BOB WARNER, CLASS 1944

Lieut. R. B. Jackson represented Western at the funeral of First Lt. Robert K. Warner at the Krieghauser Mortuary, 4228 S. Kingshighway in St. Louis last Monday. Lieut. Warner, Class '44, an F-84 Thunderjet pilot, was killed in an aircraft accident in Korea on July 3, 1952.

Lieut. Bob Warner, son of Mrs. L. J. Thorpe, 1100 Culver Drive, Webster Groves, Mo., was awarded the Air Medal two months before he was killed because of his record of daily combat missions far into enemy territory. He was on his 71st mission when his fatal accident occurred.

New Auditorium To Be Great Asset

Will Contain Permanent Movie Projectors, And 400 Plush Seats

One of the best improvements at Western in recent years will be the new auditorium which is now being constructed in the east end of the drill hall. The work was not completed this summer because of a delay in receiving the steel girders.

The new auditorium will be just what the cadets need. It will be a cozy and intimate place for meetings of the corps and for assemblies and speech programs, instead of the much larger Field House.

The auditorium will occupy the east end of the drill hall. The slanting floor, which will provide a clear view of the stage, will extend over the swimming pool. About 400 plush, folding seats will be installed. Two permanent motion picture machines will be placed there, thus allowing continuous movies for the weekly shows or for educational purposes. The stage will be large enough for cadet players, visiting entertainers, speakers, etc.

All assembly programs, cadet speech programs, movies, and entertainments will be more enjoyable in this smaller, completely equipped theater. For gatherings of over 400, the Field House will be used.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO MEMORIAL FUND FOR COL. HENDERSON

The following have shown their appreciation for Colonel Henderson by contributing to the fund for a memorial to him on the Western campus.

Toby Whiteside, Ernset J. Ravarino, Edgar R. Sanditen, Bill H. Krammerer, Robert H. Wagner, Edgar Peara, Harry D. Schaller, William H. Arnold, Jr., Milton S. Katz, Ladd W. Faulkner, Clifford F. Young, Ira and Jim Marks, Arthur Liebert, Robb V. Smith, E. S. Pettes, Allan and William Anixter, Edward A. Schellenberg, Henderson Family, Francis Dall, Jr., Edwin V. Glaser.

The fund is growing slowly but steadily. A small contribution from verybody will help to establish this deserving memorial.

Send your checks to Western Military Memorial Foundation, c/o C. L. Persing, Alton, Illinois. Contributions to the memorial are tax exempt.

Thanksgiving Day Service Dedicates New Chapel Here

Col. Jackson Makes Address And Cadets Take Part In Impressive First Ceremony

By Dick Hutter

Western's Thanksgiving program began Thursday morning at 10:15 with a service that was really a dedication of the new memorial chapel. The cadet audience and some visitors found a cozy and useful auditorium, equipped with comfortable plush seats and a stage containing the Hammond church-style organ, a gift from the Western Memorial foundation to the cadets.

Cadet Lieut. Carl Bobbis opened the program with a prelude on the piano. The entire assemblage then rose for the singing of the Doxology.

Cadet Capt. Hugh Brooks delivered an excellent talk on "Our American Thanksgiving". He told of the origin and the meaning of this holiday. Cadet T/Sgt. Charles Mallen gave a psalm for Thanksgiving, and the glee club, directed by Capt. Bowman, sang the beautiful "Netherlands Hymn".

Hammond Organ Played

Col. R. L. Jackson, Superintendent, was the chief speaker of the day. He recounted the many things for which he was thankful, and he said that all cadets should be thankful for the new auditorium. He closed with an anecdote wich was very appropriate.

The glee club then led in the singing of "America", with Cadet Boiles on the organ and Cadet Bobbish on the piano as accompanists. Cadet Lt. Bob Gillmann pronounced the impressive benediction, and Boiles played a hymn on the new Hammond organ to end the beautiful service. It was fitting that the 1948 Thanksgiving service should be the first to be held in the new chapel.

Foundation Will Consider Student Union Building

During the spring, the Board of Directors of the Memorial Foundation met to discuss the program of the Foundation and to project plans which would meet with the approval of patrons and alumni. These meetings were attended by all directors.

Building of its Own

After several meetings, it was decided that the Foundation should embark upon a program which would eventually make possible a building of its own on the Western campus. This building would be a Union Building and would have quarters for the alumni, a large foyer, and eventually, a new Chapel. The directors felt that, under the circumstances, it was unwise to continue to invest money in the development of the Chapel in its present location. The major problem of this location has been that of controlling the humidity which rises from the swimming pool, which is underneath. Experts have not been able to control this condition, with the result that eventually expensive repairs will be needed in the present Chapel auditorium. The directors felt that supporters of the Foundation were not too enthusiastic about piece-meal projects. A survey among a number of people in the area indicated that the Foundation might expect support for its own project if such project could be erected in a prominent place on the campus. These supporters feel that eventually a new Chapel must be built; one in which the memorial windows which are in the present Chapel could be incorporated into the structure.

Master Plan for Campus

As a result of all their investigations, the Board of Directors met with Colonel R. B. Jackson to secure permission to plan for such a structure and to have an understanding about the legal details involved in such a project. Colonel Jackson, representing the corporation, was in whole-hearted support of the idea, and promised that permission would be given if the Foundation so desired. He told the directors that the Academy is considering employment of an architect to draw up a

Western Military Academy Memorial Foundation Needs Alumni Support

Western Military Academy Memorial Foundation was established about 20 years ago by alumni and patrons to provide, for the Cadet Corps, those special needs which could not be adequately cared for from the regular tuition. The Foundation has a Board of Directors, is incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois, and enjoys tax exempt privileges.

It is the usual procedure to give annual reports during the commencement week. Last year, complications prevented me from making this report; and I now wish to give you a statement of some of the developments of the funds during the last two years.

The Senior Circle has been receiving the constant support of classes since 1943. Each year the graduating class has left small sums of money to add to the Senior Circle some new feature or to provide for its general upkeep.

The class of '62 gave a rather large sum of money to furnish the senior reading lounge. This new room is beautifully furnished and is used exclusively for senior English activities. During the past two years, many patrons have contributed money to this project; most of these contributors were parents of students who are enjoying the facilities. At present, a project is underway to develop a high-class library in the room, with books of special reference for the area covered. Alumni and patrons are encouraged to make contributions of books or funds for the purchase of books; each book so purchased or presented will bear the name of the donor.

Funds in the Foundation are mostly in specialized categories, with the money designated for particular purposes. In some cases, these funds must accumulate in order to satisfy the purpose; and in other cases, funds will be put into the general account. The total amount in the Foundation amounts to several thousand dollars to meet these specific needs. However, if we can receive more support, in the way of contributions, we can start one of the many projects which will depend upon the accumulation of funds for its completion. As I have indicated, these funds are deductible and each contribution may be specified as for a particular project.

AN INVITATION FROM COL. JACKSON

TO THE ALUMNI:

Once again the time has come for the bugler to sound "recall" to the graduates and friends of the Western Military Academy. You are called back to renew old friendships with classmates and teachers.

This year you are also invited to assist in laying plans for our 75th Anniversary Reunion which will take place next year. Many of you are too far away to answer "recall" this year. How about sending us a telegram or a cablegram, letting us know that you wanted to be here with your friends and classmates?

Ralph B. Jackson, '35
Superintendent

Western Memorial Foundation Seeks Financial Assistance To Complete Memorial Window Project

The Memorial Foundation seeks the help of the Alumni to complete the stained glass window project in the Chapel. When the Galahad window, presented by the Jackson family in honor of Captain Rex Latham and Lieutenants Jim Latham and Jack Ellison, was dedicated, a number of patrons indicated an interest in subscribing to a fund to complete the window program.

Mr. Emil Frei, national designer of stained glass windows, has been asked to design two more windows depicting the activities of the Academy through its organizations. These windows will be placed in the rear of the Chapel. Both windows will fit into the color scheme presented in the St. George and Galahad windows.

Certain members of the Class of 1952 are working to collect funds to present one of these windows as a memorial to the two members of their class who died during the summer, Cadet Dick England, President of the class, and Cadet Fritz Schlueter. The sum of $150.00 has already been subscribed if other funds are given to supplement it. The Class of '53 is interested in the project and, undoubtedly, it will start a fund for the second window as a memorial from their class. These groups, however, cannot provide the funds necessary and help is needed from interested alumni, who would give small funds to the Foundation, ear-marked for the memorial window project.

Fellows, please understand that a small contribution from a large number would make this project easy to complete. Send your contribution to the Western Military Academy Memorial Foundation Window Fund.

Memorial Windows Of Classes '52-'53 Placed In Chapel

Mr. Emil Frei of St. Louis recently installed in the Western Memorial Chapel the stained-glass windows presented by friends and members of the Classes of '52 and '53.

The '52 window will be dedicated to two class members who lost their lives soon after gradution, Cadet Capt. Richard England of Witt, Ill., class president, and Cadet 2nd Lieut. Fritz Schlueter of St. Louis. This window memorializes through symbols the cultural activities at Western.

The '53 window presents the academic and literary organizations. A panel has been left for the dedication, which has not yet been decided upon. Both windows will be dedicated at a date yet to be announced.

These memorial windows in the Chapel are a part of the project started in 1943 by the Western Memorial Foundation. They deal with famous paintings on the motif of youth fighting against the forces of evil. One window, "Saint George and the Dragon", is in memory of Howard Henderson, '41, and Richard Arnold, '49. Another, "Sir Galahad", is in memory of Capt. Rex Latham, '35, Lt. James Latham, '39, Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison, '38, and the Jackson family. These young officers, who lost their lives during World War II, were grandsons of the late Col. A. M. Jackson.

Two final windows are needed. One will be an allegorical window, "Saint Christopher Crossing the River", and another will symbolize athletic and military ideals of Western.

Letter To Alumni On Achievements Of Western Memorial Foundation

Dear Friend:

Western Military Academy is 75 years old. For three quarters of a century the Academy has never had a chapel to create a religious atmosphere on the campus. **This has not been an accident;** the Academy has been strictly non-denominational; each cadet has been required to attend the church of his choice. This principle will continue to be the yardstick with regard to attendance at church. However, there is a need for something more than a weekly attendance at divine service. The campus community has need for an appropriate place for non-secular meetings, a place for its public speaking program, a room with atmosphere for reflection and meditation.

Five years ago the patrons and alumni of the Academy formed a non-profit Memorial Foundation. The purpose was: (1) to provide a fitting memorial to Western's gold star veterans, (2) to provide equipment for the improvement of cadet morale which is beyond the ability of the corporation to purchase with tuition income, (3) to give the patrons and alumni an organization of their own, both in management and support. In a general way, these objectives have been obtained.

Several years ago two patrons provided the funds for the first stained-glass memorial window. The chapel idea was born. Since then three additional windows have been added, and a fourth is in process of production. The Academy has provided at its own expense comfortable seats and other auditorium fixtures.

However, the project is still incomplete and ineffective. What shall be done?

Loyal supporters have cried, "Let's finish the Memorial Chapel."

To do so, we need 5,000 dollars. To date 750 dollars have been contributed. As secretary of the Foundation, I can guarantee that every dollar has been spent for materials; not one cent for salaries; the only extra expense is for stationery and postage.

What is your opinion? Should the Foundation be liquidated because it is not appropriate, **or** are you one friend or alumnus who will make a contribution at this time in order to complete this phase of the chapel program as a 75th Anniversary gift to the Academy?

Your opinions and contributions will be acknowledged.

Yours sincerely,

O. E. Schaefer,
President.

C. L. Persing,
Secretary

*Contributions have been ruled tax exempt by the Internal Revenue Service.

Class Of '53 Made Fine Contributions To Chapel Windows

Col. C. L. Persing has had conferences with Mr. Emil Frei of St. Louis, the artist who is designing the two new memorial, stained-glass windows for the Chapel. Plans for the dedication of these two windows are set for some time in November. The artist is working on the designs for and athletic and military panel which will depict the activity theme of cadets.

One of the windows will be a memorial for Richard England and Fritz Schlueter, members of the Class of '52, who lost their lives in accidents.

The Class of '53 deserves great credit for their contribution to these memorial windows. These loyal cadets gave enough funds from the treasury and from the yearbook surplus to make one complete window. They also made a substantial contribution to the Schlueter-England memorial. In addition, they left a nest-egg for the 1954 "Recall". The record of service set by last year's Senior Class will long be remembered.

Will the Class of '54 add stained glass panels as their anniversary contribution?

Memorial Window To Schlueter And England Dedicated

Col. Persing, Benje Boonshaft, And Ernie Hazel Take Part In An Impressive Ceremony

By Bill Lyon

Western's campus rang with the greetings of old boys and friends last Sunday afternoon. A number of the members of the classes of '52 and '53 returned for the dedication of a window in the chapel honoring the memory of two former cadets, Richard England of Witt, Ill., and Fritz Schlueter of St. Louis, both of the class of '52. Both lost their lives in automobile accidents shortly after graduation.

Murphy Plays Organ

The chapel was filled to capacity. Phil Murphy, '53, played the organ as the audience assembled. Benje Boonshaft, vadedictorian of '53, spoke on "Those We Honor." He welcomed those present and outlined the dedication program. He closed with the thought, "Dick and Fritz are not wholly gone; their good deeds will always remain."

Hazel Recalls Classmates

Col. Persing, Headmaster, delivered a prayer and Phil Murphy played another organ selection. Ernest Hazel, III, cadet major of '52, gave an appreciation speech, telling things that he knew of the two boys from working with them as classmates. He had roomed with Fritz Schlueter, and his first date was with Fritz's sister. He stated that Fritz played hard football and was most loyal, as was shown when he won the Dads Loyalty Award. He was a serious cadet with a strong character, and he took all of his work to heart. He was artistic and did good work on the "Recall." Hazel said that Dick England was a jolly carefree person kho loved life and got a lot out of it. He made friends easily and got along with any group. He was elected president of his class three years in a row. Ernie closed with this thought. He remembered that Col. Jackson said at the senior banquet, "This will be the last time that this group will ever meet together again."

Col. Persing Explains Symbols

Col. Persing then dedicated the beautiful stained glass window in memory of the two former cadets. He interpreted the symbolism of the various windows. The late Col. R. L. Jackson first had the idea of building a chapel at Western. Why not have the windows portray young scientists, inventors, or athletes? But where was the overtone of character building?

Col. Persing searched for over a year for material until he found it. With the first window showing St. George slaying the dragon, the idea began to develop. It was to present youth's quest for idealism through legendary characters, St. George, Sir Galahad, and St. Christopher. In addition, other windows would depict the practical aspects of character training by showing the aims of cadet organizations. The Thespian window is in memory of England and Schlueter, and the other two windows also honor former cadets. The St. Christopher window is yet to be installed.

Idealism and Action

Col. Persing said that the first series of windows, portraying legendary heroes, shows that every normal young man has in himself the capacity to carry the significance and ideals of the symbols into daily expression in life. These symbols suggest that they can be expressed in righteous action.

Memorial Window To Schlueter And England Dedicated

Last December 12 a stained-glass window in the Western Chapel was dedicated to the memory of Richard England, Witt, Ill., and Fritz Schlueter, St. Louis, Mo., both of the Class of '52. Both lost their lives in automobile accidents the summer following their graduation. England was president of his class, and Schlueter won the Dads Award in football for loyalty and service.

Lt. Col. C. L. Persing presided at the dedication. Phil Murphy, '53, played selections on the organ. Benje Boonshaft, valedictorian of '53, spoke on "Those We Honor." Ernie Hazel, cadet major of '52, recalled the lives of his classmates and gave a speech of appreciation.

The Classes of '52 and '53, as well as others, contributed to the memorial window. The series of chapel windows is gradually being completed.

Among the "old boys" present at the dedication service for England and Schlueter were Carl Hulick, Jay Gintz, Al Samuels, Dick White, Roy Pohlmann, Phil Murphy, Ernie Hazel, Raleigh Wilkinson, Gene Kennedy, Benje Boonshaft, Durand Benjamin, Roger Lund, Don Frey, and Andrew Lyngar.

Class Of '53 Will Give Chapel Window

The Senior Class of 1953 has voted to add another stained-glass window to the Chapel. That will be a memorial to a fine class.

Part of the funds will come from the yearbook surplus and part from the class treasury.

The new window, the third in the Chapel, will depict Western activities. Special emblems and inscriptions will give recognition to the National Honor Society, Club 400, "The Shrapnel", "The Recall", Quill and Scroll, and other organizations. The window will be in color and will be designed by Emil Frei of St. Louis.

All future Western cadets will be indebted to the Class of '53. These loyal cadets will not only provide the window but will also leave a nest-egg for the 1954 75th Anniversary "Recall".

Col. Persing, who supervises the Western Military Academy Memorial Foundation, expressed apprecation to the Senior Class.

He also said that windows to be provided later would recognize the "W" Club, athletics, Thespians, and other activities.

Our hats are off to the Class of '53.

Fritz N. Schlueter, Class '52, Dies In Automobile Crash

Fritz N. Schlueter, a member of the W.M.A. graduating class last spring, was fatally injured last Friday night in an automobile accident on the Alton-St. Louis highway, Route 99, about one mile beyond the bridge spanning the Missouri River. He was brought to St. Joseph's Hospital, Alton, in an ambulance and was pronounced dead on arrival at 9:50 P. M.

According to the papers, Schlueter was driving toward St. Louis and lost control of his car on the curving road. It evidently skidded sideways into a trailer truck. His car was badly smashed, but the truck driver was not injured.

Fritz Schlueter was the only son of Dr. and Mrs. Newell W. Schlueter, 2 Litzsinger Lane, Ladue, Mo. He is survived by his parents and two sisters, Joan and Barbara. As he had been a five-year cadet and as his parents were often on the campus, the Academy felt very close to the Schlueter family. Dr. Schlueter also maintained an office in Alton.

Memorial services were arranged for 3:00 P. M. Tuesday at Ladue Chapel, 9400 Clayton Rd., with interment in Oak Grove Cemetery, St. Louis County.

Fritz Schlueter was a quiet, gentlemanly, and efficient cadet and a very prominent member of the Senior Class. Last year's "Recall" said of him: "He was one of the leading lights of the Senior Class, x x x and he has maintained a record that ranks among the best."

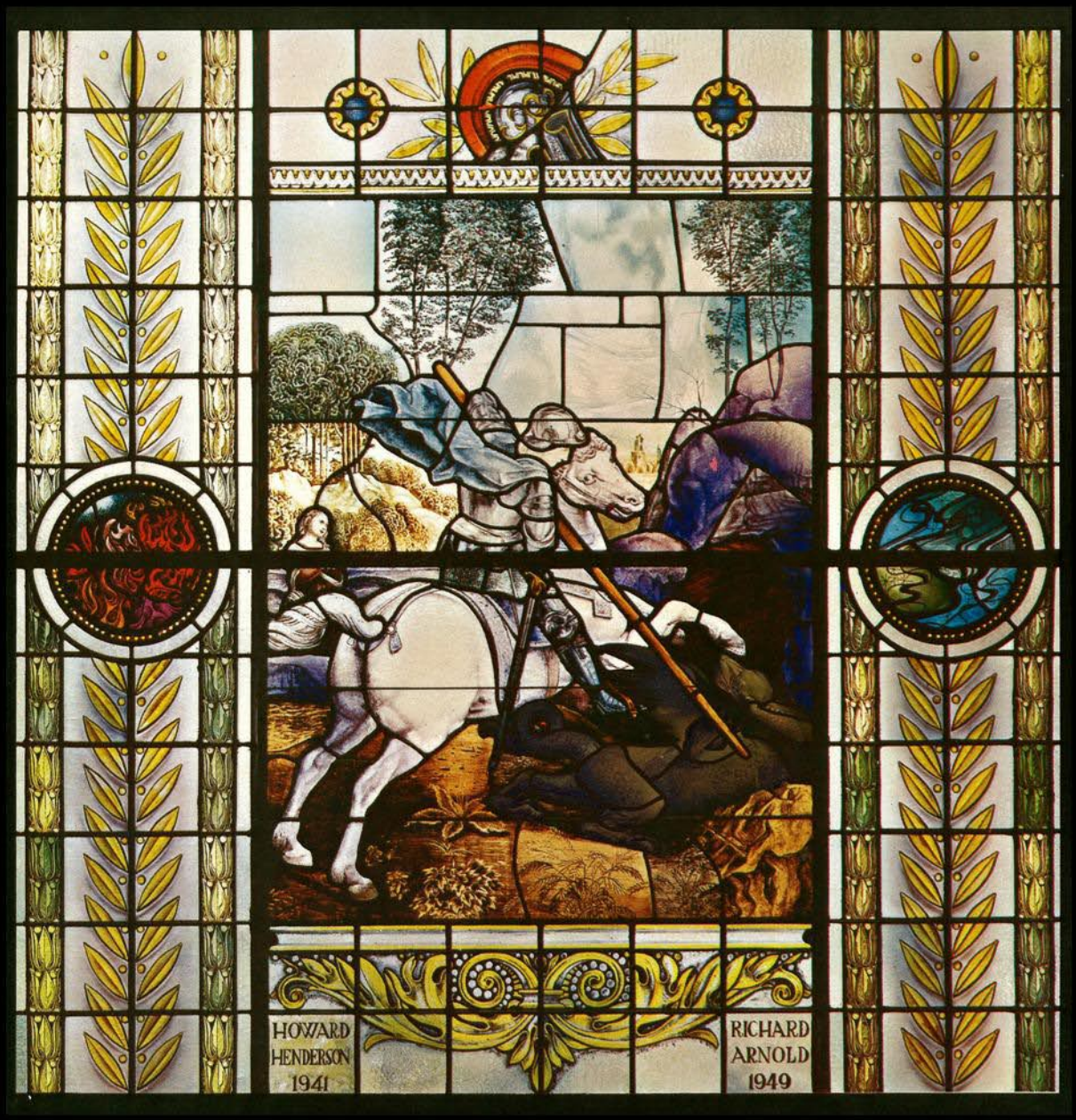
Schlueter was a second lieutenant in the corps and floor chief, first of "A". He graduated "cum laude". He won the Dad's Award for loyalty and service on the football team last fall. A varsity letter man in both football and soccer, he belonged to the "W" Club. He was on the "Shrapnel" staff

Sir Gallahad Window

The Sir Galahad Panel in the Western Memorial Chapel was presented by Colonel R. L. Jackson. The Panel is dedicated to his nephews, Captain Rex K. Latham, Jr., Lieutenant A. J. Ellison, and Lieutenant James K. Latham, who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II.

The Panel is an idealistic treatment portraying Tennyson's mythical character — Sir Galahad. This version of the picture was reproduced in antique glass by Emil Frei Co. in St. Louis, Missouri.

St George . . . . .



This beautiful window was presented by Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Henderson of Glenview, Ill., and by Dr. R. J. Arnold of St. Louis in memory of their sons, who were former cadets.

Howard Swain Henderson, '41, was killed while a member of the Air Corps in a training accident over Ellington Field, Texas, April 1, 1944. Richard Lee Arnold, '49, lost his life on August 29, 1948, in a plane accident near St. Louis soon after he had received his pilot's license and just before he was to return to Western for his senior year.

The Memorial Window is a reproduction of Raphael's famous painting, "Saint George and the Dragon", depicting youthful chivalry vanquishing the forces of evil. After being owned by various nobles and royal families throughout the years, it is now in the Mellon Collection, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.

St. Christopher Window

The St. Christopher Panel is the central figure in the series of antique glass reproductions of famous figures in the Cadet Chapel. The original window of St. Christopher by Adam Elsheimer (1578-1610) was reproduced in antique glass by the famous St. Louis Artist, Emil Frei.

St. Christopher is often referred to as the "Soldier's Guardian Saint."

Iwo Jima Window

The Iwo Jima Panel in the Western Military Memorial Chapel is dedicated to Frank N. Henderson, 1913, who retired as Commandant of Cadets in 1945. The Central Panel commemorates the spirit of the United States Marines in the battle of Iwo Jima on Mount Suribachi, February 23, 1945, in the Pacific Theatre of World War II.

The painting was approved by the United States Marine Corps and later it was reproduced in antique glass by Emil Frei in St. Louis.

Second Memorial Window Dedicated

Honors Memory Of Col. A. M. Jackson, Capt. Rex Latham, Lt. Jim Latham, Lt. J. Ellison

Alumni will be interested to know that a second stained-glass memorial window was dedicated in Western's chapel on Sunday, April 5. It is a picture in full color of the famous painting of Sir Galahad, a member of King Arthur's Round Table. It symbolizes youth endeavoring to express the loftiest form of spiritual action.

The window, presented jointly by the Jackson family, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Ellison, and Mrs. R. K. Latham, honors the memory of the late Col. A. M. Jackson, who did so much to build Western until his death in 1919. It is also a memorial to three of his grandsons, whose names and service insignia appear on the window. They all gave their lives in World War II. They were: Capt. Rex Latham, W. M. A. '35, U. S. Air Corps, who lost his life on a training flight when his plane crashed in Arizona in March, 1943; First Lieut. James K. Latham, W. M. A. '39, who was killed in action while serving with the Marine Corps on Okinawa, May 10, 1945; and First Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison, W. M. A. '38, of the 11th Airborne Division, who was killed in action on Luzon, Feb. 8, 1945. Jim Latham and Jack Ellison are buried side by side in the U. S. National Cemetery at Manila. Rex Latham is buried in Alton. All of these young officers were very prominent and active as cadets.

At the memorial service, Col. R. B. Jackson made the principal talk, and Lt. Col. C. L. Persing gave the invocation and explained the meaning of the window. The window itself was made by the artist, Emil Frei, of St. Louis.

This memorial window is the second to be installed in the Chapel. The first, a picture of "Saint George and the Dragon", was in memory of Howard Henderson, Class '41, and Richard Arnold, Class '49.

Saint Christopher Window Installed In Western Chapel

Drive Now Being Made For Memorial To Col. Henderson

During the past few years, patrons, alumni, cadets, and friends of Western have been busy conpleting the chapel, a quiet personal room where assemblies and religious services are held. The Memorial Chapel with its stained-glass windows, comfortable seats, piano and organ, and motion picture equipment is the result.

Recently the St. Christopher stained-glass window was installed. It was made possible by gifts of alumni and friends to the Western Memorial Foundation, a non-profit organization. The initial donation was made by Mrs. Frances Miller of Hardin, Ill., whose two sons are recent W.M.A. graduates.

Window Depicts Legend

The window was made by the Emil Frei Corporation of St. Louis, based on the painting of Adam Elsheimer, German artist. It now hangs in an art gallery of Munich, Germany, and Emil Frei sent the prepared glass to Munich so that it could be checked for accuracy.

The meaning of the picture in the chapel is based upon the legend of St. Christopher, the patron saint of soldiers and travelers. It teaches that Christ helps bear the burdens of the human traveler. This window completes a full set of windows in the chapel depicting legendary figures.

To Honor Col. Henderson

The next project of the Foundation is to campaign for a memorial window to the late Col. Frank N. Henderson, Class '13, who for so many years was Commandant at Western and a builder of character in boys during his entire life. He died during the past year. Several hundred dollars have already been contributed toward this window, which will complete the east side of the chapel. Two other spaces will then be left for windows symbolizing cadet activities—military and athletic.

Those who wish to contribute to the Col. Henderson memorial fund should send checks to the Western Military Academy Memorial Foundation, cfo Lt. Col C. L. Persing, Alton, Ill. Col. Henderson made a great im-

LETTER PRAISING RECORD OF CAPT. LATHAM FROM GENERAL H. H. ARNOLD

Many fine letters were received by Mrs. R. K. Latham from prominent persons concerning the death of her son Capt. Rex K. Latham, Class '35, including letters from Governor Green of Illinois and from his commanding officer at Lockbourne Field. All expressed sympathy and spoke in highest terms of the young officer's record and character.

The following letter is typical:

War Department
Commanding General,
Army Air Forces
Washington

July 28, 1943

My dear Mrs. Latham:

With profound regret I have learned that your son, Capt. Rex Knight Latham, died as the result of an airplane accident on March 3, 1943, near Springerville, Arizona.

It has been brought to my attention that the cooperative spirit of Capt. Latham and his efficient work as a cadet were instumental in his establishing an outstanding record in the Advanced Flying School at Kelly Field. As an officer he participated eagerly and energetically in the activities of his command and was respected for his fine character and excellent performance of duty.

Your son served our country corageously and I hope the memory of this will ease the sorrow caused by his passing.

I offer my deepest sympathy to you and to the other members of the family.

Very sincerely,
H. H. Arnold
General U. S. Army
Commanding General,
Army Air Forces

Mrs. Rex K. Latham
1901 Seminary St.
Alton, Illinois

Memorial Window Dedicated Here In Impressive Service

Honors Col. A. M. Jackson, Capt. R. K. Latham, Lt. Jas. Latham, Lt. Jack Ellison

By Hooser

The Sir Galahad stained-glass window was dedicated in the Chapel Sunday afternoon to the memory of three former cadets, all officers, who lost their lives during World War II. The window is also a memorial to Col. A. M. Jackson, grandfather of the three young men honored, and superintendent of Western from 1886 to 1919.

The window is in memory of Capt. Rex K. Latham, Class '35, U. S. Air Corps, 1st. Lieut. James K. Latham, Class '39, U. S. Marine Corps, and 1st Lieut. A. J. Ellison, Class '38, U. S. Airborne Infantry.

Three W.M.A. Graduates

Capt. Rex Knight Latham graduated from Western in 1935 as a cadet officer and a member of the band. He received his A.B. degree from the University of Michigan in 1939, where he belonged to the famous marching band. He won his wings in the U. S. Air Corps, and later was promoted to a captain and instructor. He lost his life on a training flight in March, 1943, when the plane crashed in a lonely spot in Arizona. It was not discovered until July, and he was buried in Alton on July 21, 1943.

First Lieut. James K. Latham graduated from W.M.A. in 1939 and attended the University of Illinois until he enlisted and was commissioned in the Marine Corps. At Western he was an officer and an all-round athlete. He married before going overseas, and was killed in action on Okinawa, May 10, 1945.

Mrs. R. K. Latham, mother of these two officers, is the sister of the late Col. R. L. Jackson and she lives in Alton. The father, the late Maj. R. K. Latham, was secretary and treasurer of Western.

Two Buried In Philippines

First Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison

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Jackson Memorial Window Installed In School Chapel

Window Shows Sir Galahad And Dedication Will Take Place After Xmas Vacation

Patrons attending the Sunday afternoon Chapel services were surprised and delighted to see the latest memorial window in the Chapel. Workmen under the direction of the famous artist, Emil Frey of St. Louis, have installed the Jackson Memorial Window.

Those Honored

The new memorial window was presented by the Jackson family (the late Col. R. L. Jackson, and his sisters, Mrs. C. C. Ellison and Mrs. R. K. Latham) in honor of the late Col. Jackson's father, Col. A. M. Jackson, and Col. Jackson's three nephews, Capt. Rex Latham, Lieut. Jim Latham, and Lieut. Jack Ellison, who gave their lives in the armed services during World War II. All three of the young officers were Western graduates. Capt. Rex Latham, '35, U. S. Air Force, died in a plane crash in the Southwest. Lieut. Jim Latham, '39, U. S. Marine Corps, lost his life in action on Okinawa. Lieut. Jack Ellison, '38, U. S. Airborne Infantry, was killed in action on Luzon.

Knight Of Chivalry

The motif of the window continues the theme of the previous window. It portrays the famous picture of Sir Galahad in full armor standing by his favorite horse. As Tennyson said of this knight:

"His good arm had the strength of ten
Because his heart was pure."

At the top of the window is a medallion with the crest of Western Military Academy and the name of Col. A. M. Jackson. At the bottom are three medallions with the insignia of the service in which the three nephews served. Across the top of each medallion is the name of the nephew.

The window is colored to harmonize with the Henderson-Arnold window. A memorial service to dedicate the window will be held after the return of Col. and Mrs. Ellison, who are at present visiting in the Far East.

Major Henderson Memorial Window Will Be Dedicated

Event This Fall Will Honor Memory of Late Commandant Date To Be Sent To Alumni

The Western Military Memorial Foundation is happy to report that the Major Frank N. Henderson Memorial Window will be dedicated this fall. Alumni will be informed of the exact date.

This window will be placed in the chapel and will honor the memory of a Western graduate and beloved former Commandant of the Academy.

Shaped Boys' Characters

Major Henderson graduated as a W.M.A. cadet in 1913. He later returned to the school as an assistant commandant. After serving as commandant of Missouri Military Academy, he was Commandant at Western from 1926 to 1945. Later he was head of the Trail Rangers School for Boys near Grafton, Ill., prior to his death in May, 1955.

Major Henderson left an indelible impression on Western and on the cadets whom he trained. He was a strict disciplinarian known for his firmness and fairness. He always adhered to the principles of vigorous, manly character in dealing with boys. He did not deviate from the path that he considered right. The window in his memory will carry this inscription, "He lived the discipline that he taught."

Iwo Jima Flag Scene

The Henderson Memorial Window is now being prepared by the Emil Frei Company of St. Louis. A full-sized artist's sketch has been received.

The Henderson Window will depart from the classical theme used in other memorial windows in the chapel. There is a good reason for this. The window will reproduce the world-famous picture by Joe Rosenthal of the Associated Press of the "Flag-raising on Iwo Jima" by the U. S. Marines. It was lifted on Mt. Suribachi over the first Japanese territory captured during World War II. This famous scene was felt to be appropriate, for so many Western grads who served in the Pacific were

Memorial Window For Maj. Henderson Placed In Chapel

Dedication Date To Be Set When Plans Are Completed

After many delays, the Major Frank N. Henderson Memorial Window has been installed in the cadet chapel. The date for the formal dedication will be announced as soon as plans can be completed.

Iwo Jima Flag Scene

The Henderson Memorial Window is a beautiful addition to the stained glass collection in the chapel. The main motif is the picture of the flag raising on the Island of Iwo Jima. The artist has succeeeded in capturing in stained glass not only the spirit of this epic event, but also the color. The center of the window depicts the traditionally accepted scene of the raising of the U. S. flag by the Marines over the first Japanese territory occupied by U. S. troops in World War II. It is based on the famous picture by Joe Rosenthal of the Associated Press.

The border of the window carries out the design used in all of the memorial windows. The dedication at the bottom gives the important dates of Major Henderson's career as a cadet and as a faculty officer. In large letters at the bottom is the caption: "HE LIVED THE DISCIPLINE HE TAUGHT."

Gift of the Foundation

The Memorial Window was prepared under the direction of the Western Military Memorial Foundation with funds donated by friends and old cadets. The window was designed and made by the Emil Frei Corporation of St. Louis.

Major Henderson, whose memory is thus being honored, graduated from Western in 1913. He later returned as Assistant Commandant and then

Maj. F. N. Henderson Memorial Window Dedication, May 30

Alumni To Join In Ceremony Honoring Former Commandant

On Friday, May 30, at the 1958 Commencement, the dedication of the memorial window to the late Major Frank N. Henderson, Class '13, will be held in the chapel at 1:15 p.m. following the alumni luncheon.

This event will be of interest to many graduates who knew Major Henderson during his nearly 30 years of service as the Commandant of Cadets. He held their respect and affection.

Program

The dedication program will be as follows:

Organ Prelude ..... Cadet Howell

Introductory Remarks ..... Lt. Col. C. L. Persing, Headmaster

Dedication Prayer ..... Maj. W. J. Buck

Cadet Tribute ..... William H. Kammerer, '38

Unveiling of Window ..... Lee Kaffenberger, '41, President of Western Military Academy Memorial Foundation.

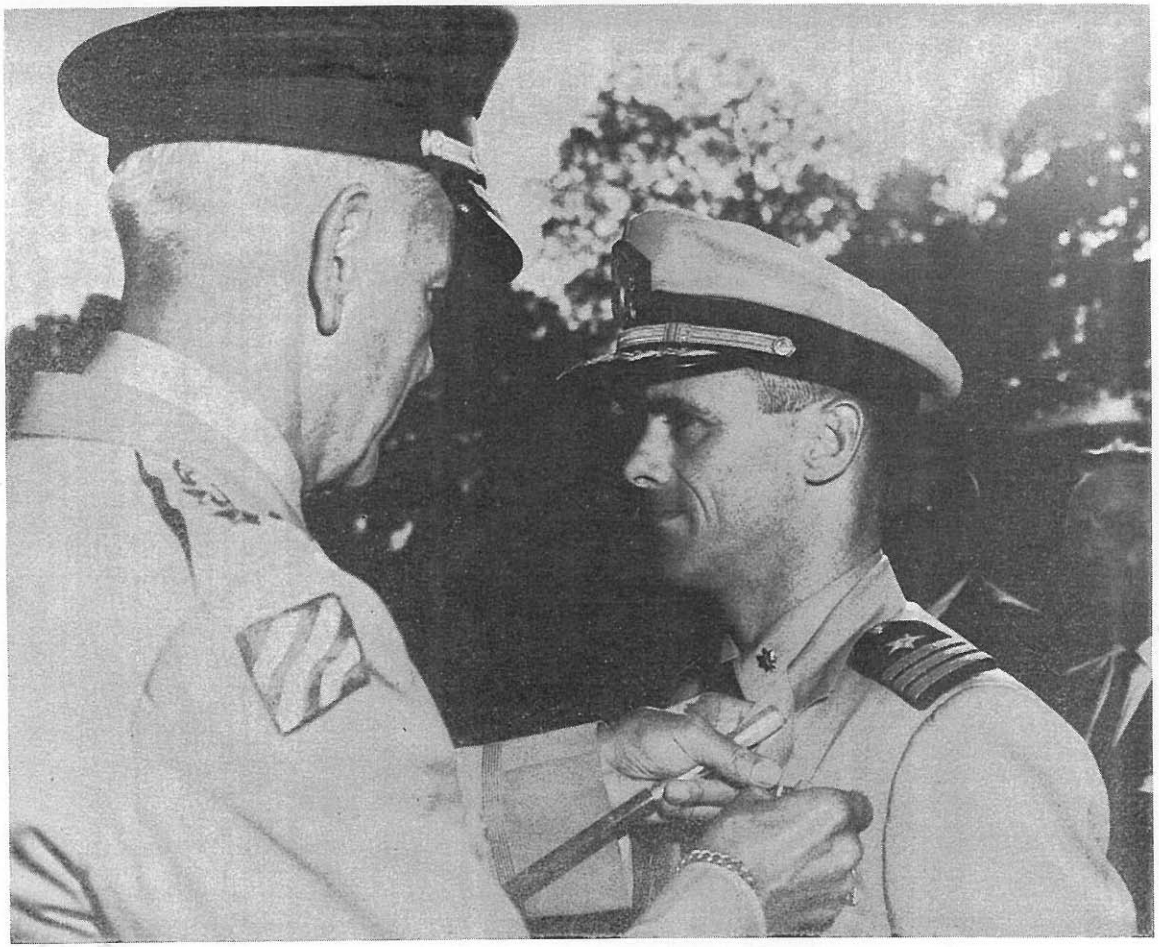
Taps and Benediction ..... By a Cadet

There should be a large turnout of old grads to honor Major Henderson's memory, for he was an outstanding Commandant and a real man.

Theme of Window

The stained-glass window depicts the famous flag-raising scene by the Marines on Iwo Jima during World War II. The inscription on the window to Major Henderson is, "He lived the discipline that he taught." The window was made by Emil Frei of St. Louis, and it is a gift from the Western Memorial Foundation and other friends.

Major Henderson was assistant commandant and commandant at Western until 1945. Afterwards, he was with the Starr Commonwealth School at Jackson, Mich. He then founded the Trail Rangers School for Boys (now the Marquette School) near Alton, and he continued in charge until his death three years ago. His whole life was devoted to



Major General Salet Decorates Commander DeWenter, Class '45.
U. S. Army War College Photograph

Cdr. Dewenter Of Class '45, Again Wins Decorations

Major General Salet Presents Gold Star For Service As Combat Pilot In Vietnam

John Robert Dewenter, Jr., Class '45, is rapidly accumulating honors and decorations in the U. S. Navy.

A dispatch from the Information Office, U. S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa., told about Navy Commander Dewenter receiving a gold star in lieu of a Second Distinguished Flying Cross, and a picture was sent showing Major General Eugene A. Salet, Commandant of the Army War College, making the presentation.

Many Citations

The dispatch went on to state: "Commander Dewenter, a student at the Army War College, also received gold stars in lieu of 4th and 5th Air Medals and a silver star in lieu of a 6th Air Medal. He also received the Navy Commendation Medal. A Navy combat pilot, he received the citations for service while commanding Attack Squadron TWENTY-THREE embarked in the 'USS Midway' during combat strikes in Vietnam."

The "Shrapnel" had previously carried an article about Commander Dewenter's service on the carrier "Midway." He was formerly a member of the Navy's "Blue Angels," a precision flying team.

Was Outstanding Cadet

"Jack" Dewenter, as he was called here as a cadet, is becoming one of

Capt. Whitfield King, '50, Wins Honors In Vietnam

Erich W. James Sends News Of Other Western Grads

Capt. Whitfield King, Class '50, formerly of Memphis has been awarded his second Bronze Star during a year's tour in Vietnam. He was decorated for "meritorious service" while serving as an Infantry and Artillery adviser in Vietnam. He has also been appointed assistant Professor of Military Science for the ROTC of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

Capt. King said of his decoration, "I was just trying to do a good job. The general feeling of our men in Vietnam is that the job over there is going to take a while. If we weren't over there, probably our children would be."

Capt. King is married and has two sons. He was graduated from the University of Miami in 1955. He received his Army commission through the ROTC there.

The information about Capt. King was sent by another loyal alumnus, Erich W. James, who is a member of the law firm, Waring, Walker, Cox, & Lewis, 2410 Sterick Bldg., Memphis, Tennessee 38103. Bill James graduated here in '49.

He also wrote that Charles E. Kirsch, '45, is also practicing law in Memphis.

SGT. TURLEY GETS COMMENDATION MEDAL

By Morris

Maj. Douglas, PMS at Western, told the cadets in chapel that S-Sgt. W. D. Turley, a former member of the Military Staff here until a few months ago, has written from Vietnam.

Maj. Douglas informed the corps that he had recommended Sgt. Turley for the Army Commendation Medal for his outstanding work here and that the request had been approved by higher authorities. Maj. Douglas has forwarded the medal to Vietnam, where it will be presented to Sgt Turley by his commanding officer of the 1st Infantry Division.

While at Western, in addition to his military duties, Sgt. Turley coached the "B" baseball team, developed and coached several outstanding rifle teams, assisted in coaching golf teams, and served on the Commandant's staff. His service and enthusiasm will not soon be forgotten. Sgt. Turley and his family were very popular with both cadets and faculty officers.

W. M. Brown, '59

W. M. Brown, '59, of 603 N. Belview, Springfield, Mo., was commissioned an Ensign in the U. S. Navy. He graduated last August from Drury College in Springfield, majoring in psychology, and reported to Pensacola, Fla., for flight training. He married the former Janet Burson of Aurora, Mo., who also attended Drury College.

BULLETIN!

Sgt. Jon Van Duyn, Class '66, Killed In Viet Nam

Just as we are going to press with this alumni edition, the news comes of another former cadet who has given his life for his country. Army Sgt. Jon F. Van Duyn, Class '66, with the 308th Infantry Division, has just been killed in Viet Nam while on patrol duty. He is the son of Col. and Mrs. Roger Van Duyn, 417 Western Ave., Wheaton, Ill.

Van Duyn was married about two months ago to a girl who is also in the service. He was due to be discharged and sent home after his tour of duty in about three weeks. Jon enlisted in the Army just after leaving Western. His body will be buried in the Arlington National Cemetery.

Capt. Jack Abraham, Jr.
Class of '49

Eleven Decorations Won By Captain Jack Abraham, '49

Capt. Jack B. Abraham, Jr., '49, recently returned from his second tour of duty with the Fifth Special Forces in Viet Nam. During that time he was decorated eleven times, including 3 Bronze Stars, 3 Air Medals, one Soldier's Medal, one Army Commendation Medal, and 3 Crosses of Gallantry Medals from the government of Viet Nam, in addition to several Oak Leaf Clusters.

Capt. Abraham of Bristow, Okla., received his first and second Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal for participating in more than 50 aerial combat missions in Viet Nam. He received the Army Commendation "V" medal for valor for saving the lives of countless civilians, women, and children when a fire broke out in a Vietnamese village. Disregarding his own safety, he entered burning houses to save the inmates, though suffering from burns and abrasions himself. He also personally led a counter-attack against a Viet Cong ambush in a fierce battle that lasted three hours before the enemy fled.

Capt. Abraham strongly believes that the United States is justified in taking part in the war in Viet Nam and that the U.S. forces will win.

Abraham's father, Mr. Jack Abraham, also a graduate of Western, Class '24, sent news of his son's great career. He states that Jack is the fifth member of his family to attend Western. Jack is presently assigned to Fort Gordon, Georgia, to instruct infantry trainees. He, his wife, Sue Ann, and sons, Jack B. III, 14, and Robert L., 10, have been visiting the Jack Abraham, Sr., family at 613 W. 6th St., Bristow, Okla.,

Lt. C. M. Erickson, 1962, In Viet Nam

Mrs. W. E. Erickson of 1215 W. Sunset Road, Mt. Prospect, Ill. 60056, writes that her son, "Bud" Erickson, Class '62, is now in Viet Nam. His address —

2nd Lt. C. M. Erickson, H.H.C. 54th Signal Battalion, A.P.O. San Francisco 96350.

"Bud", as he was known here, was a fine 6-year cadet. He was a cadet captain, president of the Senior Class, editor of the "Shrapnel" two years and on the staff six years, Quill and Scroll member, business manager of the "Recall", varsity member of swimming and golf teams 4 years each, "W" Club, Cadespians, Social Chairman, and winner of many medals. He went on to graduate from the State University of Iowa.

Lieut. Erickson is now in Nha Trang, which has miles of beautiful beaches, but he is busy from 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. seven days a week. He feels lucky, for he is comparatively safe, has decent living quarters, a good mess hall, and an officers' club. He is bunking with a chaplain.

His brother, W. E. "Wally" Erickson, Jr., '65, was also a fine six-year cadet. He is now a Senior at Rensseaer Polytechnic Institute and will enter the service after graduation.

DROEGE, '66, WRITES FROM VIET NAM

Marvin Droege, '66, of Mentor, Ohio, has written from Viet Nam. His address—P.F.C M. R. Droege, RA 11673188, A Trp. 1/10 Cav., APO San Francisco, Calif. 96262.

Marvin wrote, "A boy can turn into a man overnight here. When your tour of duty is over, you come back to the United States with a feeling of pride for a job well done. I am proud to be serving my country wherever I may be sent. X X X We men over here need the morale booster of the support of the people back home."

Marvin asks about classmates, especially Doke Meredith. He was Band Commander at Western and a varsity athlete in football and soccer. His brother will enroll as a cadet next fall.

WESLEY HUBACH, '67, JOINS U.S. NAVY

Wesley D. Hubach, Jr., Class '67, of Raymore, Mo., left on December 17 for a four-year tour in the Navy, according to a letter from his mother. She said that she is proud of what Western did for Wesley. He wants to hear from his old school. He was a fine 4-year cadet, a member of the "Shrapnel" staff, Quill and Scroll, Glee Club, and varsity soccer and baseball teams.

His present address:
SR Wesley Donald Hubach, Jr.
USN, B64 32 26
Co. No. 906
Recruit Training Command
U.S. Naval Training Center
San Diego, Calif. 92133

FORMER CADET SANDERS KILLED IN VIETNAM

Mrs. William G. Sanders of 6539 Montevista Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio, sends the sad news that her son, William J. Sanders, Lance Corporal, U.S. Marine Corps, was killed near Quang Nam in Vietnam last August 27. Bill was a cadet here from 1963 to 1965 and had a fine record.

He enlisted in the Marine Corps on his 18th birthday and had his boot training in San Diego. His body was sent back to the United States, and he had a full military funeral in his Parish Church and was buried on September 9th.

His mother wrote a sweet, sad letter and said that old W.M.A. comrades would like to know that he gave his life for his country. She asked that he be remembered in prayers.

Col. C. H. Moore and Col. R. B. Jackson have both expressed the sympathy of those who knew Bill Sanders here.

As Col. Moore said, "He did more for his country than he ever dreamed of doing. He did not lose his future; he passed through it quickly. His spirit will never cease to illuminate the pages of history."

"BUD" ERICKSON, '62, IS 2ND LIEUT. IN ARMY; WRITES LONG INTERESTING LETTER

Charles M. "Bud" Erickson, Class '62, writes Major Hinton an interesting letter stating that he is now a 2nd lieutenant in the Signal Corps. His address — Second Lieut. Charles M. Erickson, Student Officer Company USASESS, Class No. 20, Fort Gordon, Georgia 30905. He will be there for nine weeks before moving to Fort Monmouth, N.J., and then to Fort Bliss, Tex.

Bud Erickson, a 6-year cadet from Mt. Prospect, Ill., was on the "Shrapnel" staff for all of his six years and former editor for two years. He graduated from the University of Iowa and was commissioned in the U.S. Army on August 9.

Erickson says that he is politically conscious and spends his spare time in reading about, studying, and watching the state of the nation. He adds, "I would be proud to defend my country and uphold our right to choose our destiny as a people and as a nation."

PRAISES W.M.A. TRAINING

Bud gives much credit to Maj. Hinton and his work on the "Shrapnel" for developing his skill in writing. He praises Maj. Malone for his "great waves of criticism" for developing the the correct styles of communication. He writes, "I am increasingly aware of the advantages that my early education in self-expression at Western gave me. "

Erickson said that when he left W.M.A. he was 5 ft., 11 in. tall and weighed 138 pounds. He is now over 6 ft. tall and weighs 198.

Bud said that his brother, Wally Erickson, Class '65, is doing well at Rochester Institute of Technology in New York, where he was qarterback and coach for his fraternity football team.

It is good to get such letters as Erickson's from Western grads. He is continuing his success which he began here. Some of his honors as a cadet: Cadet Captain, President of Junior and Senior Classes, Quill and Scroll, Editor of "Shrapnel", Business Manager and Sports Editor of "Recall", Cadespians, Band, varsity athlete in swimming and golf for 4 years, "W" Club, and Cadet Social Chairman.

Ellison Has Senior Speech Program By Himself Last Week

By Darryl Slater

Bob Ellison, whose parents are in Paris, France, was the only Senior speaker last week. His speech on "Snakes," a subject in which he is most interested, was one of the best. He illustrated his talk with slides.

He said that there are about 2400 types of snakes in the world, of which 300 are poisonous. In the U. S. approximately 160 people die yearly die of snake bites, but India has the largest death rate from this cause. In the U.S.A., the diamond-back rattler causes the most deaths.

In a 100-miles radius of Alton thirty-one types of snakes can be found. Only around three of these are deadly. Bob closed by saying that people should know more about snakes and what to do if they are ever bitten.

DOES ELLISON HAVE A CAMPUS MENAGERIE?

There is a room in the basement of "D," which reports say is full of wild creatures. It is rumored that a box full of turtles, some snakes, and pigeons are housed there. It is not a part of the biology lab. Some say that Cadet Ellison has been hunting around the pond, and the various creatures are ones that he has captured.

Rob Ellison, '63, was a visitor during the opening days of school. He has become a free-lance news photographer and also takes scientific pictures for some leading magazines. He has visited some of the trouble spots of the world and recently returned from Santo Domingo. He expects to go to Viet Nam this fall. Rob is the son of Lt. A. J. "Jack" Ellison, Class '38, who lost his life in World War War II as a paratrooper in the Battle of Manila.

ROB ELLISON, '63, IS NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER IN MANY WAR AREAS

Rob Ellison, Class '63, has made news photography his career, and he has taken pictures for many leading magazines.

A recent letter states that he is now in Korea, as he arrived right after the Pueblo seizure. He is on assignment for Newsweek and Parade magazines. He has had an interview with President Park. He finds Seoul too cold for his tastes.

After leaving Korea, Ellison will go to Taiwan and the Philippines or back to Viet Nam. He finished a year in Viet Nam last October and for the last three months has been to Hong Kong, Thailand, and Cambodia on assignments. Rob has certainly covered some of the interesting places of the world which are now in the news everywhere.

Ellison's father was First Lieut. A. J. Ellison, Class '38, who was with the Airborne Infantry and was killed in action on Luzon in 1945. Rob Ellison is the great-grandson of Col. A. M. Jackson, the first superintendent of Western.

ROBERT ELLISON, '63 PHOTOGRAPHS ACTION IN VIETNAM WAR

Robert Ellison, '63, has made photography his career. He makes pictures for the Associated Press and many magazines.

He recently wrote from Saigon that the August edition of "True" would have three pages of his color photos on the helicopter evacuation of wounded. He has had pictures published in "Time" and in several European and Asian magazines. Rob says that he has seen much action.

He also states that he likes Vietnamese people. They are friendly and sensitive and have a sense of humor.

Robert Ellison is the son of Lieut. Jack Ellison, '38, who lost his life in World War II. His grandmother was a sister of the late Col. R. L. Jackson.

Robt. Ellison, '63, To Be Honored At Memorial Services

Services Will Be Held At Jefferson Barracks For 38 Victims Of Airplane Crash

Memorial services for Robert Jackson Ellison, Class '63, and thirty-seven Marines, whose remains could not be positively identified, will be held at 11:00 A.M., November 23, at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Mo. They lost their lives in a plane crash at Khe Sanh, Viet Nam, last year. Rob Ellison was a free lance photographer on assignment for Newsweek covering activity on the war front at the time of his death.

Eight undesignated caskets attended by four body bearers (one from each branch of the Armed Forces) will symbolize the honor being paid to each of the victims. Eight officers will distribute 38 flags to the next of kin. It is anticipated that a high-ranking officer from the U.S. Marine Corps and also from the U.S. Navy will be present.

MUSIC AND SOUNDING OF TAPS

The services will be conducted by one Catholic and two Protestant chaplains. The United States Air Force Band from Washington, D.C., will provide music. Two platoons of Marines, one platoon of U.S. Navy sailors, and one flight of airmen from the Air Force will be present, as well as a joint service color guard. The order of service will include music, memorial services by the chaplains, the firing of volleys, and the sounding of taps.

Persons attending the services should be in their places by 10:45 A.M., as seats will be reserved only for those who have indicated in advance that they will be present.

FAMOUS NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER

Robert Ellison, after his graduation from Western in 1963, had attended the University of Florida and then had begun

ROBERT ELLISON AS A SENIOR CADET IN 1963

Rob Ellison, 1963, News Photographer, Dies In Viet Nam

Had Taken Great Pictures Of Troops In War Action

A brilliant and famous young graduate of Western, Robert Jackson Ellison, Class '63, a top news photographer for several national magazines, was killed in Viet Nam early in March while he was on assignment for Newsweek Magazine. He was returning to Khe Sanh in a plane with 48 Marines when it was hit by enemy ground fire and crashed in flames. All on board were reported dead.

Rob Ellison was only 23 years old, but he had already been rated as one of the top young photograhers of the world. The edition of Newsweek of March 18 paid tribute to him and carried eight full pages of colored pictures recently taken by him of actual battle scenes. Rob was in the very midst of fire and exploding shells, just the same as the fighting men were, and his photographs were graphic illustrations of hot action on the front of war.

"HAD NO FEAR"

The article in Newsweek said that these pictures show the heritage of Robert Ellison and that he was surprisingly experienced for one so young. A correspondent stated, "Bob Ellison had the sixth sense of a great photographer for the most telling picture. He was absolutely fearless, but I never once heard him talk about his war experiences."

After graduation from Western in '63, Rob attended the University of Florida for two years. However, he longed to enter the field of photography. Only recently the "Shrapnel" printed a letter from him saying that he was on his way to Viet Nam. During the past few years he had been in Korea, Taiwan, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Thailand, and Cambodia—just anywhere he could photograph action.

ASSOCIATED WITH W.M.A.

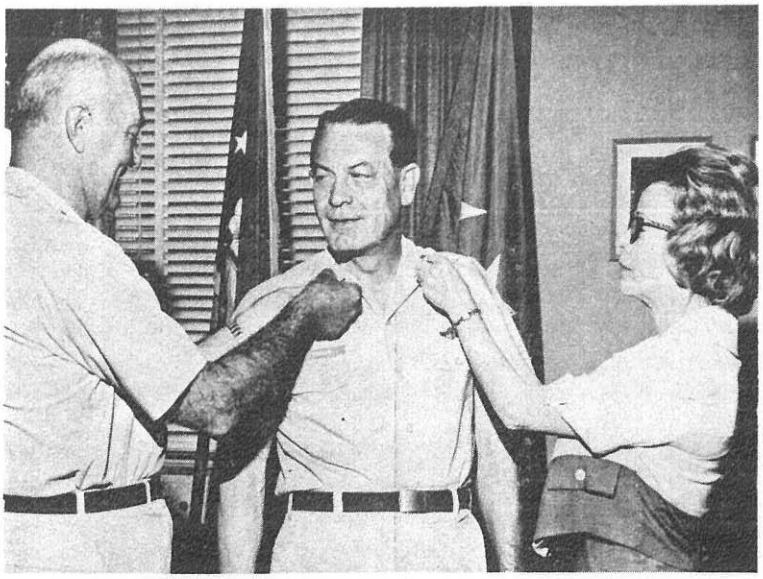
Robert Ellison was closely associated with Western by family ties. He was the grandson of the late Courtney Ellison, prominent Alton attorney, and his grandmother, Mrs. Grace Ellison, was a sister of the late Col. R. L. Jackson, W.M.A. Superintendent.

He came from a family that was outstanding in defense of the United States. His father, First Lieut. A. J. "Jack" Ellison, Class '38, was with the Airborne Infantry in World War II and was killed in action on Luzon in 1945. Rob never saw his father before he was killed. Two other first cousins lost their lives in World War II. First Lieut. James K. Latham, Class '39, was with the Marines and was killed in the Okinawa campaign. Capt. Rex Latham, Jr., Class '35, of the Air Force died in a plane crash in Arizona during World War II. Col. R. B. Jackson, '35, W.M.A. Superintendent, is a first cousin of Robert Ellison and served in the Navy. Lt. Col. C. B. Jackson, '39, Assistant Superintendent, also a first cousin, served with the Air Force, and William A. Jackson, '41, now a teacher in California, was an officer and an aide to two generals in World War II. Rob's aunt, Mrs. Robert Wynn (Jane Ellison) of Holden, Mass., served in the W.A.C.S., and another aunt, Mrs. Franklin White (Mary Grace Ellison) of Gainesville, Fla., served in the Waves.

RECORD AT WESTERN

The story of Robert Ellison's life would not be complete without mentioning his fine record at Western as a 4-year cadet. He was a 1st lieutenant and a cum laude graduate. He belonged to the Club 400 and the M.T.O. He was a "Shrapnel" staff member and business manager. He was photographic editor of the "Recall". Other honors—rifle team, Thespians, glee club, Floor Chief, and company Executive Officer. He won military efficiency, theory, and marksmanship ribbons and badges.

Robert Ellison is survived by his mother, Miriam, married to Commander Russell S. Eaton, Jr., USN, Class of '39, by his aunts, Mrs. Wynn and Mrs. White, and by half-sisters and brothers.



General Funsch, '29, receivs stars of his rank from General Estes and from his wife, Mrs. Mary Lou Funsch.

Air Force Photo

Colonel Funsch, '29, Is Promoted To Brigadier General

Western has another alumnus who has joined the impressive list of graduates who have become generals in the service.

On June 1 at Scott AFB, Harold F. Funsch, command surgeon of the Military Airlift Command, was promoted to the rank of brigadier general. The stars of his rank were pinned on by Gen. Howell M. Estes, Jr., MAC Commander, and by Mrs. Mary Lou Funsch, his wife.

As Command Surgeon, Gen. Funsch directs the Military Airlift Command's medical services around the world, including the air evacuation of sick and wounded from Vietnam, Europe, and other overseas areas.

His military career began in 1938 when he became a reserve first lieutenant after graduating from the St. Louis University School of Medicine. He served his internship at St. Mary's Hospital, St. Louis, and his residency at St. Joseph's Hospital, Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. He now holds the Air Force rating of Chief Flight Surgeon and is a Fellow in both the College of Preventive Medicine and Aerospace Medicine.

GENERAL FUNSCH, '29, DIRECTS MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND

Brigadier General Harold F. Funsch, '29, of the USAF, MC, Command Surgeon, MAC, directs the Military Airlift Command's medical services around the world. He is stationed at Scott AFB, Belleville, Ill. One of his duties is the evacuating of aeromedical patients, and the situation in Southeast Asia has been keeping him quite busy.

General Funsch graduated from the St. Louis University School of Medicine. He has commanded several U.S. Air Force Hospitals. He is a Fellow in both the College of Preventive Medicine and Aerospace Medicine.

Marvin Droege, 1966, Now Serves In Hawaii

Marvin Droege, '66, has written to Capt. Dalhaus from Hawaii. After all, he was Captain of the Band at Western, a Thespian, and a varsity athlete in soccer, wrestling, and football. He was a Thespian, member of the "W" Club, and winner of a Chicago Tribune medal. His younger brother from Mentor, Ohio, is now a cadet.

Marvin states that his tour in Viet Nam is over. He is now stationed in Hawaii, and he says it is a nice duty. He is with the 299th Infantry and teaches a class in jungle warfare dealing with ambush and counter-ambush. He likes the job, for he is able to give men who are going to Viet Nam some help.

Droege also sent news of Fred Waits, '66, who was drum major of the W.M.A. band. He is a 1st class Airman, U.S. Air Force, whose address is A 1/C Fred Waits, Box 2406, Castle A.F.B., California 95342. Fred was a star athlete for three years in football, basketball, and baseball. He and Droege have kept in touch by writing each other.

Isn't it wonderful that these grads still write to one another and send news of themselves to Western? The Academy is so proud of these fine alumni who are serving their country so faithfully. How many present cadets can measure up to their standard of manhood?

For example, Droege signed off, "I hate to rush off, but duty calls". Those former cadets knew what it meant to answer the call of duty.

Droege's address — Sgt. Marvin R. Droege, Co. B, 1/299 Infantry, A.P.O. SP, California 96557

LIEUT. THORNHILL, '56, PILOT OF B-26, SAVES CREW AT ENID, OKLA.

The Joplin, Mo., "Globe" recently had a story of Lieut. J. G. Thornhill, '56, who was pilot of a Navy B-26 which crashed near Enid, Okla. He is credited with saving the lives of four persons in the plane.

The plane had lost part of its landing gear and could not land at a Joplin airport. Lieut. Thornhill made four passes over Enid, Okla., at 10,000 feet with a crew member bailing out each time. He and his crew were uninjured. The flight originated at San Diego, Calif.

Lieut. Thornhill has been in the Navy since 1958 and received his wings in 1960. He has been stationed at the North Island Naval Base.

LARRY WELLS, '51, ON BOARD USS O'HARE

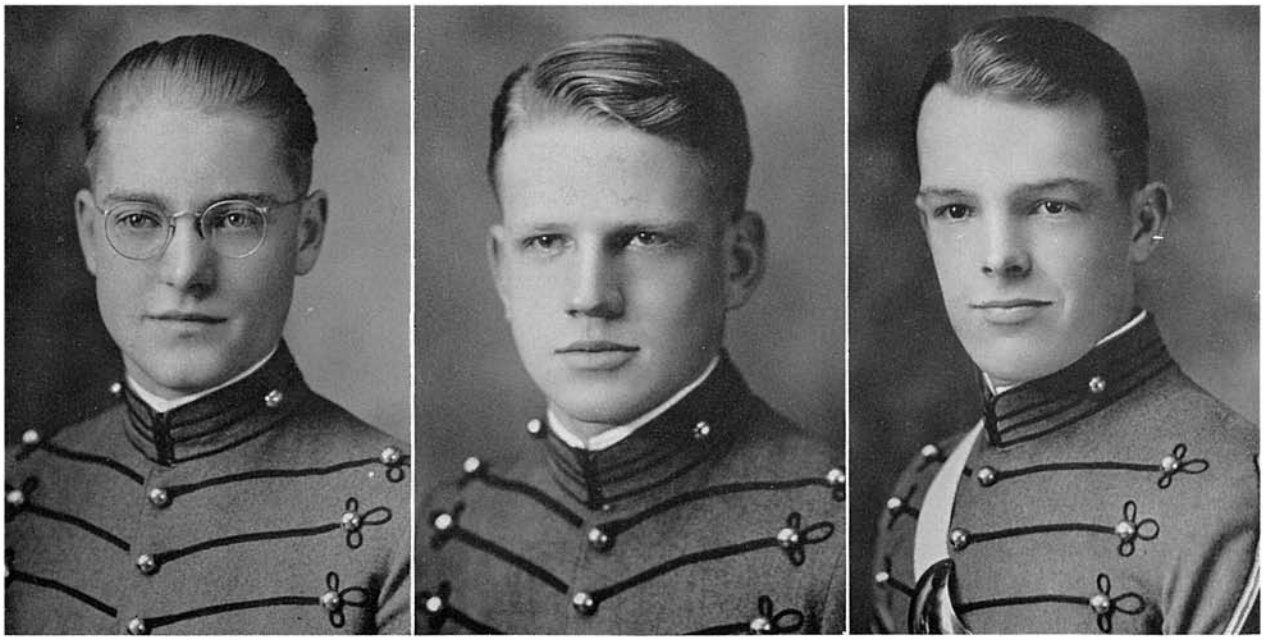
The mother of Larry Lee Wells, formerly of East St. Louis, Class of 1951, writes that he is now an electronic technician aboard the destroyer, USS O'Hare. He likes his work very much and hopes to see many interesting places while in the service. He enlisted in October, 1954.

Wells was a lieutenant at W.M.A., a straight 4.00 student, and valedictorian of his class. He belonged to the National Honor Society, the Thespians, the Senior Dance Committee, the "Recall" staff, and the "A" soccer team.

His present address—Larry Wells, E.T.S.N., 362-43-56, USS O'Hare, DDR 889, % F.P.O., New York, N. Y.

"The O'Hare", incidentally, was named after a famous W.M.A. grad, Lt. Com. E. H. O'Hare, '32, a hero of world War II.

LET'S COMPLETE THE CHAPEL



SENIORS

WILLIAM BROWNELL

Bill Brownell entered Western as a junior in September of '33. He did not enter into a great deal of activities during this first year, although he did swim and play tennis.

This year, Bill made a place for himself on the soccer team, which was recently organized. He also played tennis this spring.

After graduation from Western, Bill will enter Carleton College for a business course.

RALPH COLBY

Ralph Colby came upon the Western campus as a lowly sophomore in 1932. Sports occupied his attention, and he went out for "B" football and "B" basketball, earning letters in both sports.

Ralph re-entered as a junior, again playing football and basketball. In military work, he was appointed to the rank of color corporal.

As a senior, Ralph was a sergeant, a floor chief, and an all-around good fellow. He played Prep football and was on the "A" Company bowling team, one of the best. He was a member of the track team.

He expects to enter Purdue next fall. He is studying to be a Civil Engineer.

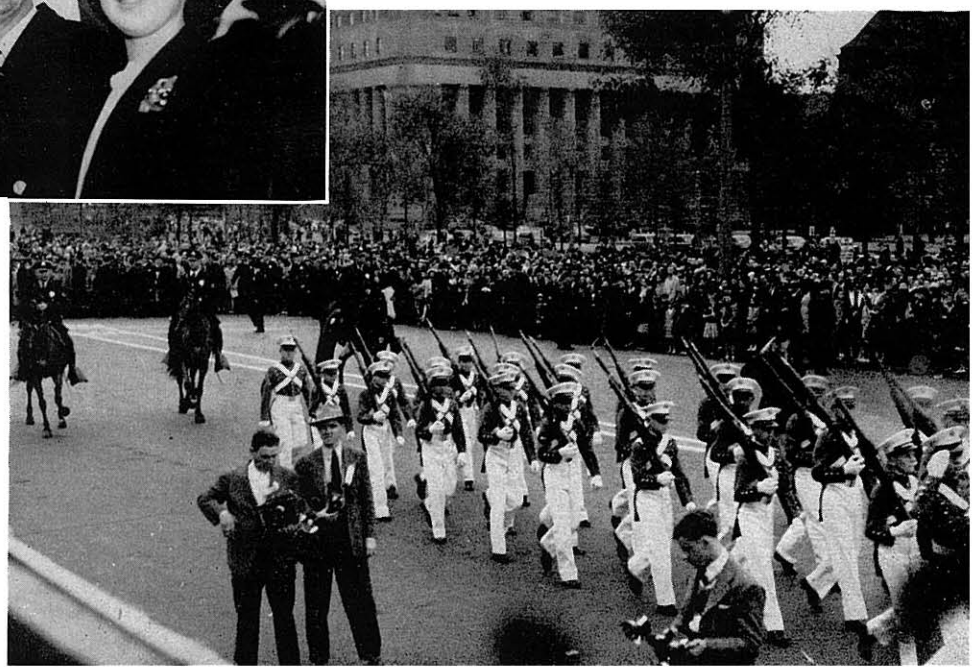
REX KNIGHT LATHAM

Rex Latham, as a freshman, was a musician and so he joined the band. On the "C" football team, he demonstrated his ability, too. During his sophomore year, he was again a Rinkydink footballer as well as a musical first class private.

As a junior, he was a veteran "C" man and a trumpet-playing corporal. On the basketball court and the baseball diamond, he also exhibited his prowess.

Becoming a noble senior, Rex advanced to the "B" football team and became an asset to the track team. In the military department, he was made Lieutenant and Chief Musician in the band. He was a member of the Shrapnel staff and in the senior play.

Rex plans to attend the University of Michigan.



IN MEMORIAM

"THE TUMULT AND THE SHOUTING DIES"

In this first peace-time "Recall" in several years, the Class of '46 wishes to pay tribute to over one thousand Western alumni who served with the U. S. Armed Forces in World War II. They did their part bravely and well. Many were cited for outstanding heroism.

The Class wishes to honor especially those fifty-one "old boys" who made the supreme sacrifice. At the top of this page is pictured Commander Edward "Butch" O'Hare, Class '32, with his mother and his wife, at that great moment when he received the homage of St. Louis. The W.M.A. cadet corps is shown marching in the parade in his honor. Commander O'Hare had just been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for destroying alone five Japanese planes over the Coral Sea. Later, in 1943, he went down fighting in a night battle off Tarawa.

Commander O'Hare was a symbol of all Western grads who died in the service. The Class of '46 proudly and reverently inscribes their names in this yearbook—IN MEMORIAM.

Col. Paul A. Brickey, '11
USA, Medical Corps
Died in St. Louis, 1945

Lieut. (jg) J. Jacque Strause, '21
USN,
Killed in action, 1942, en route Murmansk

Volunteer George E. Brannon, '24
American Field Service
Died of wounds in India, 1944

Capt. John D. Franciscus, '25
USA, Air Corps
Died in plane crash, 1943

Lt. Col. Max G. McCrory, '28
USA, Engineers
Died in Germany, 1945
in automobile accident

Commander Herber S. Fulmer, '29
USN, Killed in 1945 when
Jap suicide plane hit his ship

Lieut. Frank P. Viviano, '29
USA, Air Corps
Died in crash in England, 1943

Capt. Walter Derris, Jr., '29
USA, Field Artillery
Killed by Japanese in
Bilibed Prison, Manila, 1944

Lieut. Robert Hardy, '30
USA, Armored Infantry
Killed in action, Roer
River, Germany, 1944

Lieut. Max Mitchell, '30
USA, Infantry
Died of wounds received on
Bougainville Island, 1944

S/Sgt. Joshua B. Hubbs, '31
USA, Chemical Warfare
Killed in 1944 when his ship
struck mine off Anzio

Lieut. (jg) Edwin W. Hampton, '32
USN, Killed in explosion
on U.S.S. Turner, 1944

Lt. Commander Edward H. O'Hare, '32
USN, Air Corps
Killed in combat in
South Pacific, 1943

Lieut. Thomas Don Ferguson, '32
USA, Infantry
Killed in action, France, 1945

Lieut. Chester P. Grimm, '33
USA, Air Corps
Killed in action, 1943

2nd Lieut. Robert B. Secord, '33
USA, died in plane crash, 1943

Capt. Robert W. Rulkoetter, '34
USA, Air Corps, Killed in
plane crash in Alabama, 1942

Herman Schippers, 1933-34
Died when British ship
was sunk off Australia

Capt. Ralph A. Colby, '35
USA, Ranger Battalion
Killed in action, Sicily, 1943

Capt. Rex K. Latham, '35
USA, Air Corps
Killed in plane crash in Arizona, 1943

1st Lieut. Douglas Boudeman, '36
USA, Air Corps
Killed in plane crash in Texas, 1943

Pvt. Bruce Cohn, 1935-36
USA, Cavalry
Killed in action

Capt. Henri Chouteau, Jr., '36
USA, Air Corps
Killed in plane crash, 1943

Capt. Howard Humphreys, '36
USA, Infantry
Died in Fukuoka Prison Camp, 1945

Pvt. Robert L. Jacobberger, '36
USA, Air Corps, Gunner B-29
Killed in accident, 1944

Capt. John L. Robinson, '36
USA, Air Corps
Killed in plane crash, Kelly Field, 1943

Capt. Robert E. Winkelmeyer, '36
USA, Air Corps
Killed in action in South Pacific, 1943

Pvt. Ralph Biddle, 1935-37
Killed in action

Lieut. Thomas E. Cartmell, 1936-37
USA, Air Corps
Killed in action over Germany, 1945

Lieut. (jg) Glenn W. Higbee, Jr., '37
USNR, Died in hospital in
United States, 1944

Pfc. James H. Oliver, 1936-37
Died in bomb explosion in England, 1944

1st Lieut. Albert Jackson Ellison, '38
USA, Airborne Infantry
Killed in action on Luzon, 1945

2nd Lieut. Carl Helmstetter, Jr., '38
USA, Air Corps
Killed in plane crash
near Moore Field, 1942

Lieut. Peter W. Sommer, 1937-38
USA, Air Corps
Missing after flight over the North Sea

1st Lieut. J. B. Lyman, '38
USA, Air Corps
Killed in action in China, 1943

2nd Lieut. Vance I. Shield, Jr., '38
USA, Infantry
Killed in action in Sicily, 1943

Capt. George W. Stivers, '38
USMC, Missing after five Navy bombers
were lost off Florida, 1945

1st Lieut. Gerald Kadet, '39
USA, Air Corps
Killed in action in China, 1945

1st Lieut. James K. Latham, '39
USMC, Killed in action on Okinawa, 1945

1st Lieut. William Oldacre, '39
USA, Infantry
Killed in action in Cherbourgh,
France, 1944

2nd Lieut. Dudley T. Atkins, '41
USA, Infantry
Died of wounds received
near Rendova Island, 1943

Pvt. Howard Henderson, '41
USA, Air Corps
Killed in plane crash in Texas, 1944

A/C Robert W. Knapp, Jr., '41
USA, Air Corps
Killed in line of duty, Kingman Field, 1944

Pvt. Robert S. Gaston, '41
USA, Killed in action, 1944

Lieut. John R. Meyers, '41
USA, Air Corps
Killed in action in Italy, 1944

Pfc. Otto J. Dickmann, Jr., '42
USA, Infantry
Killed in action, Luzon, 1945

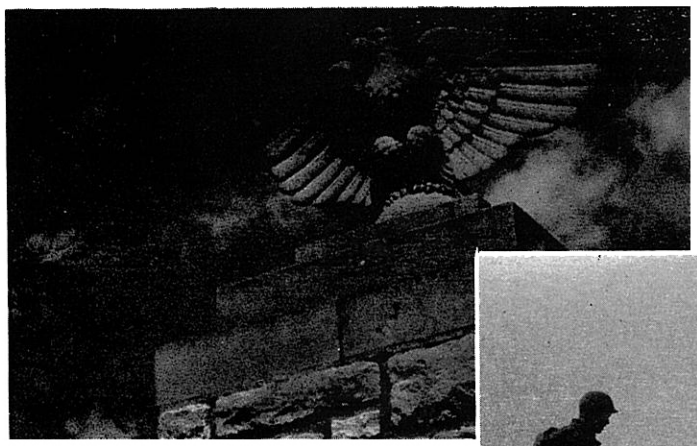
Pfc. Robert D. Keller, '42
USA, Infantry
Killed in action, St. Lo, France, 1944

Pfc. Robert V. Minner, 1939-41
USMC, Killed in action,
Tinian Island, 1944

Cpl. Benjamin H. Goodman, Jr., '43
USA, Infantry
Killed in action in Germany, 1944

Cpl. Donald D. Kottler, '43
USA, Rangers
Killed in action in Italy, 1944

Pvt. William Harry Corcoran, '45
USA, Died at Fort Custer, 1946



TO WESTERN ALUMNI

WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR II

INFORMATION PLEASE!

This first Western Alumni Service Roster is far from complete. It is only a beginning. The editors have done their best with the information at hand, but, since the end of the war, conditions have changed so rapidly and "old grads" have shifted so suddenly that we realize much of our record is not up-to-date.

Western is proud of the record of 1000 former cadets in World War II. The Academy is interested in what each alumnus did. It makes no difference whether you were a decorated general, a famous hero, or a non-com or private who never crashed the headlines—we are proud of what you did and we WANT YOUR RECORD! The record of W. M. A. grads is an inspiration and an incentive to over 300 cadets now on the campus. For that reason, if for nothing more, it is important. YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO US!

We wish to follow this first Service Roster quickly with another that will be complete, correct, and more detailed. Accurate information can be obtained only from you, or your family. If the record following your name it not adequate, it is because we lack the information.

So, PLEASE, without delay, fill out the blank form on the opposite side of this page and mail it to the Alumni Secretary, Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois.

If you have additional information about any other Western alumni, your buddies in the service, send that in, too.

If the families of former cadets receive this and can complete the record, we shall appreciate the information.

Don't overlook anyone or anything! Let us make the next Service Roster a true and permanent record of the part that Western grads played in the recent war!

WON'T YOU HELP?

INFORMATION, PLEASE!

KILLED OR DIED IN SERVICE

Forty Western alumni made the supreme sacrifice while serving with the armed forces in World War II. All of them died in the performance of their duty. Their memory is revered and honored at at Western. Their pictures have been placed in the assembly hall, and their portraits in the group pictures of each graduating class are marked by a gold star.

Lt. Dudley T. Atkins, '41
Pvt. Ralph Biddle, '37
Lt. Douglas M. Boudeman, '36
Volunteer George E. Brannon, '24
Col. Paul A. Brickey, '11
Pvt. Bruce Cohn, '36
Capt. Henri Chouteau, '36
Capt. Ralph S. Colby, '35
Pvt. Otto J. Dickmann, Jr., '42
Lt. A. J. Ellison, '38
Capt. John Franciscus, '25
Comdr. H. S. Fulmer, '29
Cpl. Benjamin Goodman, '43
Lt. (j. g.) Edwin W. Hampton, '32
Lt. Carl Helmstetter, Jr., '38
Pvt. Howard Henderson, '41
Lt. (j. g.) Glenn Higbee, '37
S/Sgt. Joshua Hubbs, '31
Capt. Howard Humphreys, '36
Lt. Gerald Kadet, '39
Pvt. Robert Keller, '42
Cpl. Donald Kottler, '43
A/C Robert Knapp, Jr., '41
Lt. James K. Latham, '39
Capt. Rex K. Latham, '35
Lt. J. B. Lyman, '38
Lt. Col. Max G. McCrory, '28
Lt. John R. Meyers, '41
P. F. C. Robert Minner, '42
Lt. Max S. Mitchell, '30
Lt. Comdr. Edward O'Hare, '32
Lt. William H. Oldacre, '39
P. F. C. James H. Oliver, '37
Capt. John L. Robinson, '36
Capt. R. W. Rulkoetter, '34
Herman Schiffers, '34
Lt. Robert B. Secord, '33
Lt. Vance I. Shield, '38
Lt. (j. g.) J. Jacque Strause, '21
Lt. Frank Viviano, '29
Capt. Robert E. Winkemeyer, '36

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Prisoners

Capt. Arthur Bredenstein, '32
Prisoner of Japanese.
Capt. Paul Casey, '36
Prisoner of Germans
Capt. Walter E. Derris, '29
Prisoner of Japanese.
Capt. Robert A. Foster, '36
Prisoner of Germans
Capt. John Fowler, '36
Prisoner of Germans
S/Sgt. Robert Kaplan, '43
Prisoner of Germans
Capt. Robert Milton Keith, '36
Prisoner of Germans
Lt. Edgar Kummer, '42
Prisoner of Germans
Capt. Thomas D. Rush, '36
Prisoner of Germans
Lt. John Scherer, '40
Prisoner in Roumania

Missing

S/Sgt. Douglas Deacon, '39
Lt. C. P. Grimm, '33
S/Sgt. Richard R. Schleyer, '41
Pvt. Robert C. Schulman, '41
Lt. George W. Wenthe, '36

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR

Lt. Comdr. Edward H. O'Hare, '32

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS

Capt. Robert H. Cutler, '35
Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Randle, '13
Col. Paul Tibbetts, '33

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NAVY CROSS

Lt. Floyd A. Johnston, '35

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LEGION OF MERIT

Brig. Gen. Carl R. Gray, '07
Lt. Col. Wallace W. Orr, '32
Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Randle, '13

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SILVER STAR

Lt. Dudley Atkins, '41 (Posthumously)
Lt. Edwin B. Arvey, '35, with three Oak Leaf Clusters
Lt. Col. H. Wirt Butler, '18
Capt. Ralph A. Colby, '35 (Posthumously)
Capt. Robert M. Cutler, '35
Col. Fred M. Dean, '34
Lt. Jack Ellison, '38
Maj. Arthur E. Hoffman, '32
Lt. Adrian L. Kahle, '41
Capt. Robert M. Keith, '36
Lt. Martin J. Kelley, '31
Lt. Col. Max G. McCrory, '28
Lt. Col. Charles L. McMackin, '34
Lt. Lazarus Peara, '42
Lt. Fred S. Pfahler, '29
Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Randle, '13, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Capt. David J. Roth, '41
Lt. Vance I. Shield, Jr., '38 (Posthumously)
Major P. L. Wilson, '15

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DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

George G. Cummins, AOM 3/c, '43
Col. Fred M. Dean, '34, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Capt. Clinton D. Hamilton, '36
Maj. Arthur E. Hoffman, '32
Lt. Scott A. Holman, Jr., '36
Lt. Col. Joseph L. McCroskey, '35
Lt. H. Russell Norden, '35
Maj. William Pitt Norris, '38
Maj. Robert I. Paullin, '34
Capt. George N. Robertson, '32
S/Sgt. Warren W. Stubbs, '31, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Col. Paul Tibbetts, '33

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OFFICERS' MEDAL

Capt. Clinton D. Hamilton, '36

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SOLDIER'S MEDAL

Lt. Martin J. Kelley, '31
Lt. Charles L. Martin, '32

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BRONZE STAR

Sgt. Edward F, Anixter, '35
Maj. Harold J. Abrams, '34
Lt. Col. Rufus K. Barton, Jr., '31
Lt. Robert Baumgartner, '35, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Lt. Richard W. Bear, '28
Col. Paul A. Brickey, '11
Lt. Col. H. Wirt Butler, '18
Lt. George M. Deutman, '41
Lt. Jack Ellison, '38
Lt. Robert M. Epsteen, '42
Maj. Melvin H. Glick, '33
S/Sgt. Rowe V. Griffith, '39
Capt. John B. Henderson, '37
Lt. William A. Jackson, '41
Lt. Adrian L. Kahle, '41
Lt. Edgar H. Kummer, '42
Lt. Col. Max McCrory, '28
Lt. Col. Charles H. McMackin, '34
Lt. Ira Marks, '39
Lt. Charles L .Martin, Jr., '31, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Lt. Max Mitchell, '30 (Posthumously)
Capt. George S. Montooth, '36
Lt. Col. Edwin R. Niehaus, Jr., '30
Lt. Col. Wallace W. Orr, '32
Pvt. Richard R. Ramey, '43
Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Randle, '13
Capt. George M. Robertson, '32, with Oak Leaf Cluster.
Capt. David J. Roth, '41
S/Sgt. Richard R. Schleyer, '41
Lt. William S. Schuwerk, '38
S/Sgt. William Eugene Shea, '42
Pvt. Allan E. Simpson, '40
Capt. Andrew P. Titus, Jr., '33
Lt. Arthur J. Weis, '42
Capt. Clifford F. Young, '37

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AIR MEDAL

T/Sgt. Robert J. Billman, '30
Lt. John E. Cochran, '42
George G. Cummins, AOM 3/c, '43
T/Sgt. Douglas A. Deacon, '39
Col. Fred M. Dean, '34, with nine Oak Leaf Clusters.
S/Sgt. Donald P. Hale, '43, with three Oak Leaf Clusters
Capt. Clinton D. Hamilton, '36
Capt. William D. Hector, '35, with three Oak Leaf Clusters
Maj. Arthur E. Hoffman, '32, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Lt. Scott A. Holman, Jr., '36
Ensign Albert J. Honegger, '43, with Gold Star
Lt. Floyd A. Johnson, '35
Lt. H. Russell Norden, '35, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Maj. William Pitt Norris, '38, with two Oak Leaf Clusters
Maj. Robert I. Paullin, '34
Capt. George M. Robertson, '32
Lt. John P. Scherer, '40, with three Oak Leaf Clusters
Capt. Reynold Scott, '21
Lt. Edward M. Sharp, '36
S/Sgt. Warren W. Stubbs, '31, with Oak Leaf Clusters
Col. Paul Tibbetts, '33, with three Oak Leaf Clusters

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PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION

S/Sgt. Raymond Bressler, '32
Lt. George H. Brenner, Jr., '28
Lt. Col. H. Wirt Butler, '18
Lt. Comdr. Lanson B. Ditto, Jr., '38
Lt. Col. Carlton A. Fisher, '16, with Star
TM 1/c Arthur Franz, '25
S/Sgt. Donald P. Hale, '43
1st Sgt. John C. Hodgson, '39
Sgt. Frank L. Johnson, '42, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Lt. Adrian L. Kahle, '41
Cpl. Jay L. Lickey, '40, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Lt. Col. Max G. McCrory, '28
Pvt. Russell D. Meyer, Jr., '39
Capt. George S. Montooth, '36, with Bronze Cluster
Maj. William Pitt Norris, '38
Cpl. Joseph E. O'Malley, '37
Maj. Robert I. Paullin, '34
Lt. Phillip E. Pettes, '37
P. F. C. Burton B. Ruby, '37
S/Sgt. William L. Sackett, '34
S/Sgt. Richard R. Schleyer, '41
Capt. Thomas R. Spencer, '21, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Capt. John Thogerson, '34, with Oak Leaf Cluster
P. F. C. Arthur W. Westermayer, '41
S/Sgt. Sheldon L. Zwieback, '39

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS (*Continued*)

COMBAT INFANTRYMAN'S BADGE

Sgt. Edward F. Anixter, '35
Lt. Robert Baumgartner, '35
P. F. C. Irwin A. Bergman, '42
Lt. Harold P. Bisch, III, '41
S/Sgt. Raymond J. Bressler, '32
Lt. Col. H. Wirt Butler, '18
T/5 Quentin R. DeNio, '37
Pvt. Henry G. Drosten, '43
Sgt. Lawrence A. Fleischman, '42
S/Sgt. Rowe V. Griffith, '39
1st Sgt. John C. Hodgson, '39
Lt. William A. Jackson, '41
P. F. C. Robert D. Johnson, '26
Pvt. Lee O. Kaffenberger, '41
Lt. Milton S. Katz, '38
Lt. Edgar H. Kummer, '42
Lt. Col. Charles L. McMackin, '34
Lt. Louis L .Muenterfering, '41
P. F. C. Joseph Murphy, '42
P. F. C. Burton B. Ruby, '37
S/Sgt. William Eugene Shea, '41
Pvt. David C. Tatum, '25
Lt. Joseph R. Weiss, Jr., '29

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EXPERT INFANTRYMAN'S BADGE

Sgt. Robert G. Albiez, '43
P. F. C. Morton Gelb, '35
P. F. C. William A. Monaghan, '43
Pvt. David C. Tatum, '25

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PURPLE HEART

Lt. Dudley Atkins, '41 (Posthumously)
Lt. Edwin B. Arvey, '35
Lt. Robert Baumgartner, '35
Lt. Harold P. Bisch, III, '41
Lt. Marion F. Bradley, '38
Lt. Ira B. Blumenthal, '29
Capt. Robert H. Cutler, '35
Lt. George M. Deutman, '43
Pvt. Richard Deutman, '41
Lt. Comdr. Lanson Ditto, Jr., '38
Lt. Jack Ellison, '38
Lt. Jesse L. Gary, Jr., '41
Lt. Robert G. Hardy, '30, with Oak Leaf Cluster
P. F. C. William T. Hawkins, '42
Sgt. William C. Held, '37
1st Sgt. John C. Hodgson, '39
Maj. Arthur E. Hoffman, '32
Lt. Floyd A. Johnson, '35
Sgt. Frank L. Johnson, '42
P. F. C. Robert D. Johnson, '36
Sgt. Robert Kaplan, '43
Lt. Martin J. Kelley, '31, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Sgt. David M. Lutz, '43, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Lt. Col. Charles L. McMackin, '34
Pvt. Gordon S. Marks, '43
Lt. Ira Marks, '39
Lt. Charles L. Martin, Jr., '31
Lt. Louis L. Muenterfering, '41
Maj. William Pitt Norris, '38
Capt. John F. O'Malley, '34, with two Oak Leaf Clusters
Lt. Lazarus Peara, '42
Lt. Fred S. Pfahler, '29
Capt. Ray H. Pollom, Jr., '37
Lt. Robert J. Rieskse, '36
P. F. C. James D. Richardson, '43, with Oak Leaf Cluster
Capt. George M. Robertson, '32
Capt. David J. Roth, '41
Lt. John P. Scherer, '40
S/Sgt. William Eugene Shea, '42
Col. Paul Tibbetts, '33
Capt. Andrew P. Titus, Jr., '33
Lt. Arthur J. Weis, '42
Maj. P. L. Wilson, '15

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FOURAGERE

Capt. Robert M. Cutler, '35
Lt. William A. Jackson, '41

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MERCHANT MARINE EMBLEM

Purser James D. Heinlein, '32
Ensign Ernest E. LaMertha, '30

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GOLD WREATH

T/Sgt. Warren S. Peavler, '30

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FOREIGN DECORATIONS

FRENCH CROIX de GUERRE

Maj. Gen. Harry Collins, '15
Lt. Col. Max McCrory, '28
Lt. Col. Charles McMackin, '34

BRITISH DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

Col. Fred M. Dean, '34

WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY
SALUTES
HER SONS WHO SERVED WITH THE ARMED FORCES
IN THE SECOND WORLD WAR
1941 — 1945
WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY ALTON, ILLINOIS
IN MEMORIAM
PRESENTED BY THE CLASSES OF 1943, 1944 & 1945

"Fellows, we have a job to do which calls for cooperation. Each Cadet has duties which must be carried out if we are to have a good barracks. Each one has a copy of Cadet Room Order Sheet. On this sheet, you will notice specific requirements. Every Cadet must have a full quota of supplies. Specific instructions are given concerning the placement of all Cadet equipment. Follow these instructions without exception.

You and your roommate are responsible for your room. You are expected to keep everything neat, clean, and in inspection order at all times. (Note order sheet for the order of your room.) Each week along with the care of your room, you are given an orderly duty. This may consist of sweeping the hall, dusting the stairs, or anything else which is your floors' responsibility. These orderlies will be rotated from room to room each week. Watch the bulletin board.

A clean mind as well as a clean body is a must in the barracks. No swearing or vulgarity is permitted or appreciated by any of your fellow Cadets. When a large group of persons live together, personal hygiene becomes of first importance. Naturally, you are expected to wash, shower, comb your hair, brush your teeth, and clean your fingernails each day.

After you have earned your academic potential, you are allowed to study in the barracks. This is a privilege and must be regarded as one. You are to remain in your room and study quitely.

Many times during the day you are in call to quarters. This means that you are to be in your room preparing for the next event of the day.

Your barracks chief and floor chiefs are here to help you. If you have a problem or question that you feel free to discuss, they will be glad to help you. Your cooperation and willingness to help will be appreciated.

Thank you — you are dismissed.

GENERAL ORDERS FOR BARRACKS

1. Your room is your home; it is private; keep it clean and in good order.
2. Your roommate is human too. Respect his personality and he will respect yours.
3. Speak in a natural voice, shouting is offensive and unnecessary.
4. Keep your radio at room audience volume. No T.V., please.
5. Borrowing as well as lending is bad business; be self-reliant. Satisfy your own needs.
6. Your lock box is your safety deposit box. Don't tell anyone its combination or how to open it.
7. The Cadet Bank is the place for money; it offers security against carelessness or unauthorized use.
8. Make your laundry slip readable and accurate.
9. The telephone is for all Cadets in the barracks; use it properly.
10. The Barracks is your home; be a good host; you may make a friend.
11. Correct information is your best defense; if you are in doubt ask an officer for instructions.

CADET ROOM — ORDER SHEET

1. Two small rugs
2. BED:

Bed Spread covering the bed, tucked under with SQUARE corners,

drawn tight. Blankets folded 3 fold, smooth edges showing. Pillow on top of bed, flattened out, clean pillow case.

3. TABLE:

On top of table — table lamp and radio ONLY — Bookshelves neatly arranged. Table drawer containing writing material and small box for misc. items.

4. SHOE LINE:

Shoes - rubbers - slippers - lock box — All shoes laced and shined.

5. CAP:

Service Cap on cap hook.

6. DRESSER:

On Dresser TOP: — 2 pictures, clock, comb, brush.

ORDER OF LAUNDRY:

Drawer 1: Sox - Collars - Washcloths - Field Cap - Brasses - Handkerchiefs folded - Belting - Gloves.
Drawer 2: Pajamas - Shirts.
Drawer 3: Underwear - Sheets - Towels - Pillow Cases.
Drawer 4: Bed Spread - White Ducks.
Drawer 5: Extra Athletic Equipment.

7. WINDOWS AND TRANSOMS:

Glass clean, window shade half way down, drapes pulled back, so as not to cover window.

8. WARDROBE:

TOP — uncased musical instruments, tennis racket, riding boots, extra books.

SHELF — Toilet articles, shoe shine kit, dust cloth, all neatly arranged.

DOOR — Top wire — wash cloths — Center wire -bath towel — bottom wire - used pillow case.

Inside wardrobe articles must be arranged **uniformly** throughout each floor.

RIFLE: To be placed diagonally across the front of the wardrobe. BROOMS in back of wardrobe door, bristles up. DUST PAN in corner back of W-door.

9. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

No extra furniture or bookshelves are permitted, furniture will NOT be changed from regulation order. WIRING in cadets rooms will NOT be spliced, NO BULBS larger than 75 Watts are permitted. EXTRA HOOKS will not be placed on back of doors.

Signed,

THE COMMANDANT:
CHARLES H. MOORE
Col. INF USAR

THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT

THE ROTC PROGRAM is composed of Military Science and Tactics I, II, III and IV, and "M" Call.

a. The objectives in MST I and II are to introduce the student to basic military subjects to inculcate habits of orderliness and precision, to instill discip-

Taps has a double meaning; it is used at the close of day and at burial ceremonies. It has many versions. The one that will mean most to you as a tired Western cadet is:

Fades the light
And afar
Goeth day
Cometh night
And a star
Leadeth all
Speedeth all
To their rest.

Trumpet calls are the soldier's clock. They wake him up, invite him to meals, summon him to school, call him to drill, bid him go to sleep. You will like all the calls, but you will love Taps.

HIS CHOICE

Ever hear Church Call! It is one of the most impressive trumpet calls in cadet life. Perhaps it keeps its novelty because it is heard only once a week - - on Sunday morning. Western is not a church school; therefore, there are no Masses, Sabbath schools, or regilious services as such on campus. Western believes that these services are important for each fellow according to his own religious conviction. For this reason you are permitted to attend the church of your choice on Sunday morning. Soon after the opening day the Commandant will ask for your church preference. If your church is near the campus, you march; if your church is at a great distance, you ride in the school bus.

HERE IS A "MUST" ASSIGNMENT

Memorize the School Songs and Cheers

Every school is proud of its school songs and cheers. So is Western. You won't really know the thrill of being a cadet, until you hear 300 voices boom out the football battle song — "Stand Up and Cheer." It's snappy and has a martial air to it. Start memorizing the words today; here they are:

Stand up and cheer
Stand up and cheer for dear old Western
For today we raise
The Blue and Red above the rest.
Our boys are fighting
And they are bound to win the fray —
We've got the team, Rah! Rah!
We've got the steam, Rah! Rah!
For this is dear old Western's day.

Two other songs have a place in cadet life; they are the "Star Spangled Banner," and the "Western Loyalty Song." Every boy should know the National Anthem, but you must learn to know and love the "Loyalty Song." Wait until you hear the Corps sing the Loyalty Song a cappello at the close of the Sunday assembly. You feel a new thrill. Try to imagine the music as you speak words.

O, Western, we sing to you,
O, Western, the Red and Blue,
Now we pledge our loyalty
Ever staunch and true;
We'll never forget these years,
So let our motto be:
Ever loyal, Ever true,
Western, here's to you!

or any officer of the group. Briefly stated, however, an actor usually has to play a major role in three one act plays. Four smaller roles are also acceptable. A stage hand for example, has to work on approximately five complete programs as do the property men and costumers. A heavy role in a three act play such as the senior play is tantamount to Thespian membership itself.

Dramatics, as an activity, has many values. First of all, there is its entertainment value to the Cadets and friends in the audience and the thrill experienced by the actors themselves in the portrayal of another character. This thrill can be understood only by those who have been lured by the smell of grease paint and the allure of the footlights. There is a separate thrill for all who have participated in any successful theatrical production. Dramatics eventually teaches the actor to express himself clearly and effectively. Poise and self-confidence is frequently cultivated. Then, too, there is the purely intellectual experience and mental discipline in memorizing the lines themselves. Finally, there is developed among those participating a sense of responsibility toward the production as a whole.

Dramatcs is primarily an outside activity for good, clean fun for all concerned on both sides of the footlights and an appreciation and interest in the theatre is hoped to be developed. Not infrequently, a number of Cadets at Western have gone forward in their study of dramatics. Some have even found their life work.

SPEECH PROGRAM

Public Speaking is a tradition of many years standing at Western. During the Junior and Senior years, each Cadet prepares and presents a speech — approximately five minutes in length — on a topic of his own choice before the entire Cadet Corps in the Academy Chapel. Naturally controversial and fantastic subjects are avoided.

The purpose of the entire program is to give every upper-classman the experience of organizing his own thinking and then presenting it before his fellow Cadets. Therefore, no Cadet leaves Western without having appeared at least twice before a large audience. These experiences, in themselves, prove valuable in later life, as few should ever hesitate to rise before a group and express himself. The self-confidence thus gained, we believe, is a most valuable asset.

Each senior should report to the Speech Director early in the first semester and select a speech topic and presentation date. All speeches are rehearsed in Chapel, usually the evening before they are given. Much extra help may be gained by calling at the Speech Director's quarters during the latter's free periods or immediately after mess in the evening. The junior speech program immediately follows the completion of the senior program.

Speeches are graded as to how well the Cadet has organized his topic and how clearly, effectively, and forcefully he has presented it. The speech grade is a separate grade and is a requirement for graduation.

SCIENCE FAIR

In the spring the departments of biology, chemistry and physics hold a biennial science fair in the field house. This project gives the student the opportunity to use his initiative in applying scientific principles and methods learned in the classroom or in research study.

Science fairs are now just as fundamentally a part of the American way of life as are the county fairs that did so much to build our agriculture and industry.

The school science fair consists of an exhibition of science projects held in

SERVICE RECORDS

OF THE

GRADUATES AND NON-GRADUATES

Western Military Academy
Alton, Illinois

IN THE

UNITED STATES ARMY,
NAVY, AND MARINE CORPS

DURING THE

WORLD WAR

In Memoriam

*Jewell, John W., 1907-10, Springfield Mo.
Editor of "Trench and Camp,"
Camp Funston, Kan.
Murdered at Camp Funston, Jan. 11, 1918.

*Rollwage, Ralph, 1914-18, Forrest City, Ark.
Attended S. A. T. C. Camp at Ft. Sheridan, Ill. Commissioned 2d Lieut., Inf., U.S.A., and detailed at Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas.
Died Under operation at College Station, Nov. 28, 1918, (Thanksgiving Day).

*Starkel, Chas. L., 1911-14, Belleville, Ill.
Attended 1st O. T. C. at Ft. Sheridan, Ill. Commissioned 2d Lieut., and assigned to Co. "L," 242d Inf., Camp Grant, Ill.
Died of pneumonia at Camp Grant, Oct. 21, 1917.

*Waples, Cary L., 1908-13, Alton, Ill.
Attended O. T. C. at Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y. Entered Aviation Service, and was commissioned 1st Lieut. Aviation Corps, at Camp Travis, Texas.
Met his death by accident at Kelley Field, San Antonio, Tex., on July 18, 1918.

* Indicates graduate.

Statistical data relative to graduate and non-graduate participation in the World War:

1. Number of men listed herein 560
2. Number of Graduates since 1909 402
3. Graduates in the service (73% of the above) 295
4. Graduates who served as commissioned officers 152
   - (a) 2d Lieutenants 64
   - (b) 1st Lieutenants 49
   - (c) Captains 28
   - (d) Majors 8
   - (e) Lieutenant Colonels 3
5. Non-graduates in the service 265
6. Non-graduates who served as commissioned officers 81
   - (a) 2d Lieutenants 47
   - (b) 1st Lieutenants 19
   - (c) Captains 11
   - (d) Majors 2
   - (e) Colonels 2
7. Total number of commissioned officers (over 40 per cent of all men in the service) 233

T. H. Benton, Noted Artist, Remembers Fine Teacher Here

Thomas Hart Benton, the famous Missouri artist, was a cadet here in 1906. In a recent book, "The Teacher", edited by Morris Ernst (Prentice-Hall, $4.95), which relates classroom experiences of prominent persins, Mr. Benton pays tribute to one of his W.M.A. teachers.

He said, "I believe the teacher who made what is perhaps the most decisive impression in my life, the one who occasioned a most decisive turn therein, was a portly, white-haired lady who caught me in my seventeenth year when I was putting in a sojourn at a military academy at Alton, Illinois.

"She was the head of the English department at that place, and she undertook to relieve my general restlessness and boredom with the military business by introducing me to English poetry. She took me not only in her regular classes, but after school hours in her home in town, where she coaxed me into reading Wordsworth, Shelley, Keats, Rosetti, and other poets of that time. Robert Browning was her special love, and it was through Browning's poems about Italian painters and her romantic enthusiasm that she made an impact upon me."

Mrs. Beall, librarian, says the teacher Mr. Benton referred to was probably Mrs. Mary K. Dodge.

This information was sent to Col. Jackson by Miss Helen Wilkinson, 1105 S.E. First St., Apt. C-3, Evansville, Indiana 47713. She has been director of music in the Evansville schools. She is the daughter of the late Major Robert E. Wilkinson, who for forty years was the beloved head of the mathematics department, principal, and Dean of the Faculty. He died in 1943.

Thanks to Miss Wilkinson for the information about Thomas Hart Benton.

THOMAS HART BENTON, FORMER CADET, CAUSES ARGUMENT ABOUT ART

Mr. Thomas Hart Benton, Missouri artist, has been the subject of much attention and criticism concerning his murals for the Missouri state capitol building at Jefferson City. Mr. Benton attended Western in 1910 and will be remembered by cadets of that year. He has not been closely associated with the academy since he left, but in view of his recent role in the mural controversy we feel an interest in him.

Benton recently completed a series of mural paintings, taking two years to finish, for the capitol building. These are excellent paintings, but they seem to merit more than usual explanation to Missouri citizens. Many prominent figures in Missouri's historical past and present may be seen in poses whch Benton says show them "doing the things they ordinarily do, when not on parade." Head of the painting department of the Kansas City Art Institute, Mr. Benton defends queries as to the ideals of his work with the words "that using idealistic art with a realistic medium is naturally shocking in its breaking up of tradition."

Acceptance of his murals by the Missourians is still pending, although critics from an art standpoint call them excellent. A few of these works were reproduced several weeks ago in a St. Louis Sunday paper. The March 3rd issue of pictorial "Life" devoted several pages to full-color copies and discussion of Benton's efforts.

The arguments about Benton's paintings center around such questions as this: "Why did he include the political boss, Tom Pendergast, and omit General Pershing, both of whom are Missourians?"

Benton answered that Pershing is not a part of the Missouri social background while Pendergast is.

GENERAL SEBREE RETURNS TO WESTERN

One of the most important events of the year was the visit of Brig. General Ed. B. Sebree at Western for the first time in seven years. Since he had served as a lieutenant for four years as P. M. S. and T. and head of the military department, he had become nationally famous because of his leadership in the campaigns of New Caledonia and Guadalcanal.

The General and Mrs. Sebree arrived with Col. Jackson, preceded by a police escort. The corps snapped to attention, the band played, and an eleven-gun salute was fired. His face beamed as he greeted faculty officers, many of whom he knew when he was detailed to the school from '28 to '32. The battalion then held a review in his honor on the lower field. Accompanied by Col. Jackson, Col. Moore, and Maj. Henderson, General Sebree inspected the cadets.

The cadets will never forget the evening which followed. The General, referring frequently to a large map, related interesting incidents which made the South Pacific campaigns live again.

The next morning he inspected the barracks and later watched a football game. General Sebree complimented the cadet corps and stated that he had never seen the battalion so snappy at that early time of the year.

THE GENERAL
RELAXES AT WESTERN

Top—Gen. Sebree, Col. Jackson, Col. Moore, Maj. Henderson salute the colors. The General with Cadet Maj. Porter inspects the battalion.
Bottom—Gen. Sebree tells the story of Guadalcanal. The General chats with Maj. Henderson, commandant.

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GENERAL SEBREE

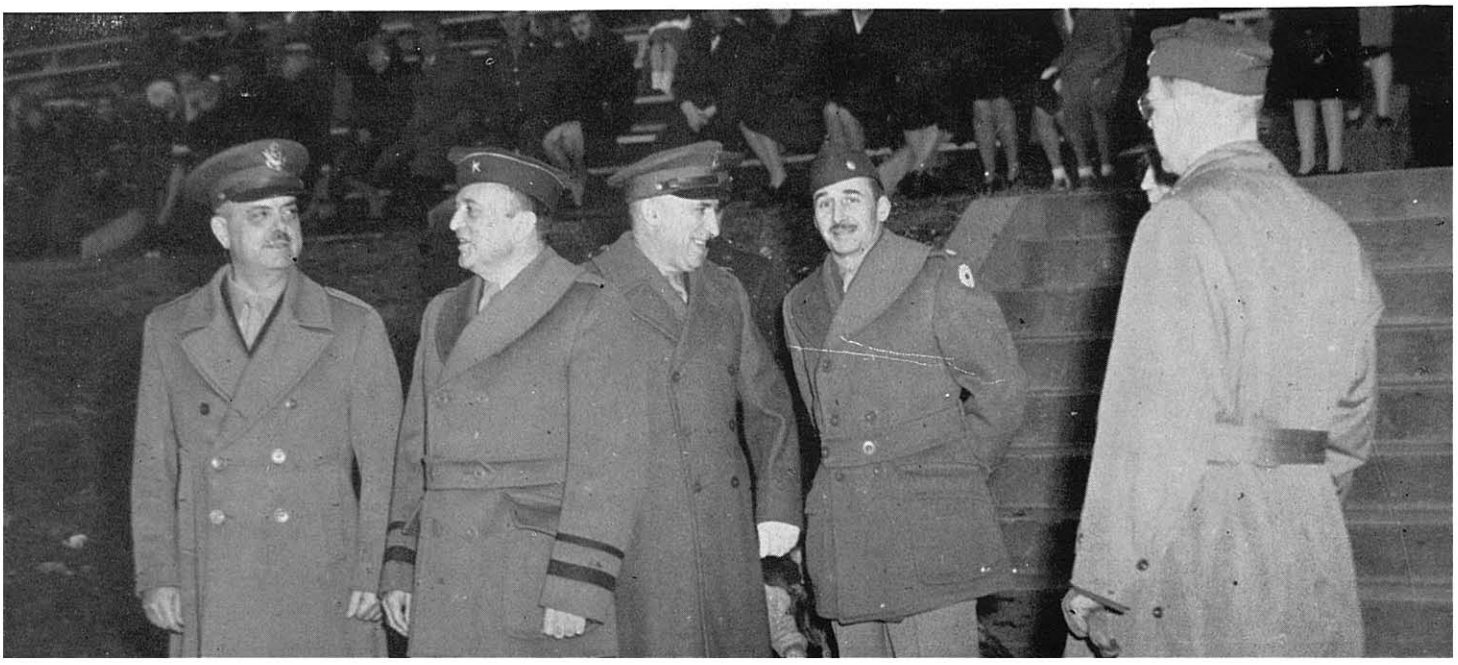
Brig. Gen. E. B. Sebree awarded post-humously the Bronze and Silver Star Medals to Mrs. Miriam K. Ellison, widow of 1st Lieut. A. J. Ellison, Class '38, who lost his life on Luzon. The impressive ceremony and the General's lecture about his war experiences were memorable events for the corps of cadets.

Top—Gen. Sebree awards medal to Mrs. Ellison. (Left to right: Adj. Vanocur, Gen. Sebree, Mrs. Ellison, Mr. C. C. Ellison, Maj. Lawe holding Robert Ellison.)

Middle—Gen. Sebree addresses cadet corps in field house.

Bottom—At reception McNabb shakes hands with the General, who was P.M.S. and T. at Western from '28 to '32.

At the Battalion Review: Col. Jackson, Gen. Sebree, Maj. Persing, Col. Moore, Maj. Conrad.



Winkelmeyer, Sgt. Tarter, and Roth Lead a Company Down a Country Lane Toward Marquette Park

Twenty Photos Of Recent Maneuvers In Globe-Democrat

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat carried four pages, twenty pictures in all, of the recent weekend maneuvers held by the Western cadets in Marquette Park. This section in the Sunday gravure pictorial portrayed in a vivid way by scenes and interesting captions the experiences that the cadets had. Unusually complete coverage was given with photographs of marching, attacks, guards on duty, mess, field mass, bull sessions, weary feet, machine gun nests, ets. Every cadet could relive the event by looking at that paper.

Capt. Newell Williams took the pictures and Major C. H. Moore and Capt. W. M. Hinton aided with labeling and identification. The lay-outs and captions were, of course, the work of the Globe-Democrat's excellent staff. The paper mentioned the fine morale and efficiency of the cadets.

THE MARQUETTE MANEUVERS

Next Saturday and Sunday Western cadets will experience something through which they have never been before. At that time the corps will make an encampment at Marquette State Park and participate in something absolutely novel. This month also marks the beginning of national conscription in this great country of ours and the entire nation is abuzz with talk of this universal registration. With such a giant move afoot to increase our fighting forces, Western cadets will play a truly important part in our new program. The men who are trained in such schools as Western are the men who will be the leaders some day in our growing army—the same men whose excellent training will well qualify them to be leaders.

This little venture to Marquette Park will be a true test of the calibre of a Western cadet. It will not be easy—nor will it be too difficult for any full-blooded American boy. Each cadet will have to give his utmost to make the sham-battle a success, and good sportsmanship will have to be displayed at all times. Our officers, be they corporal or acting captain, will have to be respected as befitting their rank. Personal friendship must not enter into the scheme of things on this jaunt, and each cadet will have to forget how good a friend he is of Captain So-and-So, and address him in a military manner, in accordance with the remainder of his conduct. We can, and will, make a success of this encampment only with the cooperation of the entire cadet corps.

Anti-tank Gun And Springfield Rifles Received By Corps

When the corps returned from Christmas furlough, the military department was ready to start things off with a bang—and it did. The new Springfield rifles to replace the wooden ones had arrived and were issued. Col. Moore, P. M. S. and T., had tried hard to get them from the War Department and he succeeded well.

Two hundred and five good Springfields, 1903—A-3, have already been issued to cadets. One hundred Enfields will be sent later for the rest of the corps.

Two more heavy machine guns have been received, making a total of four for the use of the corps. This number is just right to supply the needs of the military classes. Two more of the latest Garand, M-1, rifles are on the way. Two more Browning Automatics and tripods have been received. Three of the new carbines were also sent. Some ammunition has arrived and more will be sent.

The new weapon causing the greatest interest was the 37 mm. anti-tank gun with all accessories, a prize piece of equipment. Ten gun crews, made up of five junior military students each, will be formed by Capt. Pitt, who recently had training with the anti-tank gun. The team that does the gun drill with the greatest speed and precision will be chosen to put on exhibitions at parades and at commencement.

All of this augmented equipment in rifles and weapons gives the cadet corps the best facilities it has ever had for modern military training. Cadets are learning that they have to be more careful in cleaning and handling the Springfield rifles than they were with the wooden guns.

Explosives Add To Realism Of Field Problem For Week

By Jim Gray

The most realistic field problem of the year was held last Wednesday as the military department utilized its supply of rockets, firecrackers, and other explosives to simulate wartime conditions. Under the permanent war strength platoon organization established Saturday, the problem was run off in much less time and with less confusion than previously.

The defending forces, under the command of Biddle, E., left the Academy early and took positions on the crest of a hill where they dug in and prepared for an attack. Machine gun and mortar squads prepared positions for their weapons.

The remainder of the battalion marched out to the assembly area in a valley under cover from enemy fire and waited while their leaders were briefed. The attack was under the command of Lewis, and the three rifle and weapons platoons were led by Wrisley, Fuchs, Braner, and Bittner. Both forces had machine guns assigned to them, as well as mortars and other weapons. Another touch of realism was added when blanks were issued to the riflemen in the various platoons.

As the advance of the attacking columns crossed the creek before the positions of the defenes, a barrage was opened and for nearly half an hour the sky was filled with exploding missiles as the attack continued.

As the two forces drew nearer, the crack of rifles was heard as the men shot their blanks at each other.

Finally the defense crumbled before the attacking force or ran out of ammunition, and the battalion was reassembled for the march back to school. The problem ended about 4:30.

Colonel Moore, Major Conrad, Lt. Jackson, and Lt. Nicolay supervised operations, while Major Pitt and Sgt. Coon handled the firecrackers and

The Military Mike

By William Lowe

The "sign-out system" after evening mess has been changed by Col. Moore. Heretofore, a cadet could sign out for almost any place on the campus. Now he is limited to three places—to organized meetings, such as the glee club, band, "Shrapnel," 400 Club, etc.; to the telephone room in the basement of "C"; and to the commandant's office to get permission to go roller skating, etc. Any other place is out of bounds.

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Following through after the field problem, the military department held a rifle inspection after Sunday parade. It was tough, because it was a dry inspection, and the officers were on the lookout for any kind of animal which might be hiding in the bore.

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The field problem last week was one of the most colorful held by the corps in many a day. The usual attack-defense problem was elivened by explosives. Blanks, firecrackers, and land mines could be heard going off in every direction. More weapons were used too. Browning automatics and machine guns were heard from. It all added up to the similation of war-time conditions.

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Retreat formations have been dispensed with for the last few days because of wet grounds. Instead, the formations are held on the company walks, but the band will continue to play the National Anthem and a stirring march as the cadets go into mess.

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Notes On Maneuvers

Cadets of interest:

Charley Pope, who showed that he could march just as far as the next fellow.

Jones, who surrendered without a fight, when found roaming around the South Camp Saturday night.

Atkins, who did his best to be ever so quiet and not wake Sergeant Pigg up, and who only succeeded in knocking over a bed and making enough noise to wake up the entire camp.

Gary, who escaped capture in the North Camp in a method he, himself, is still wondering about.

The White force, when they were informed that they had been marching on the wrong road for some ten minutes.

Vandercem, who was so frightened when on guard duty that he could hardly speak.

Barta and Miller, R., both of whom were on sentry duty and spent five minutes challenging each other.

Kottler, who was very much disappointed and surprised when he found pebbles in his two boxes, which once had contained crackers.

Hamilton, J., who will be a long time living down his mistake of mistaking a herd of sheep for an enemy platoon.

Officers of interest:

Capt. Williams, who was in the thick of the battle (?) with a camera getting the best shots.

Capt. Kane, who suffered a sprained ankle and continued on, nevertheless.

Captains Gould and Johnson, who came down from school to lead the cadets in song.

Col. Jackson, who seemed so cool and comfortable when he drove by the marching cadets in his car.

Capt. Kane and Lt. Humphreys, discovering that what they supposed was Cabin 4 turned out to be the latrine.

THE MILITARY MIND

From every point, the little walk to Monticello and back was more than a success. A couple more practice hikes like that one and we should be ready for a "long" march.

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Perhaps the only thing that might have stood improvement was the anti-aircraft formation. The aerial photos showed a weakness in this department.

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With three captains and two lieutenants gone, the non-coms had an excellent opportunity to gain experience in commanding on the field trip.

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To offset the strenuous march, regular Saturday morning inspection was omitted, but parade on Sunday was held, as usual, in the Drill Hall.

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With the best-drilled cadet competition completed, the next thing to look forward to is the squad drill-downs.

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Of course, the corps had extended order drill and a field problem on Friday, but compared to Saturday's jaunt, that was just a "trial run."

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Before the Christmas holidays, cartridge boxes will probably be issued. New cadets will have to learn how to cut webbing, and all men will have one more brass to shine every week.

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There were a few criticisms on the maneuvers.

1. First, and probably worst, was the communications. As there had been no training in radio procedure, the field phones were not coordinated. There were too many people on the phones wanting to talk. Before the next problem, Sophomores and Seniors will have had classes in radio procedure.

2. There was too much grouping. There should be a distance of five yards between persons.

3. There was too much talking by the whole corps.

4. Leaders should make use of runners.

5. Squad leaders looked too much to their platoon leaders for information.

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Corps "Attacked" By Airplane On Forced March In Country

Probably the day that will be remembered as the most useful of the month was last Saturday, with its hike, lecture, swimming meet, and dance.

The hike was a forced march to the airport near Monticello, a round trip of over ten miles. The corps left the memorial entrance at 10:20 and Charlie Pope passed through at 10:26. The forced march was under battle conditions, with cadets carrying packs, rifles, and belts. Lieut. Fossieck picked up the Lower School in the bus and Barta drove them part of the way.

About three miles out, the cadets had practice in anti-aircraft deployment when Mr. Harris, instructor at the airport, and Lieut. Humphreys dived over the column in mock bombing attacks. This attack lasted for fifteen minutes. Lieut. Humphreys said it was hard to locate the corps, but once located it was easy to keep track of the cadets.

At noon, the cadets arrived at a camp site near Monticello and had a good lunch of different meat sandwiches, cookies, pickles, apples, and milk. After a short rest, the corps started back at a fast pace. Forced marching allows no rest to speak of, and Col. Jackson said the pace, according to his timing, was faster than that of army forced marches. The cadets, tired but experienced, reached the campus at 2:00 P. M.

OUR FUTURE GENERALS FIGHT A WAR!

THE LATEST METHOD of advance was used by the Western Military Academy cadets in their trek from Alton to Marquette State Park, where they held their week-end "war," a battle that came as close to being the real thing as could be expected from veteran army men. Here Bill Shea of Peoria, Jerome Dumanois of Fenton, Mich., and Elmo Blackburn of St. Louis are taking the first step in the shuttle system of transporting troops.

Any way you look at it, war is a man-sized job, so when you look at the achievement of these 225 Western Military Academy boys, whose average age runs only about 15 or 16 years, fighting what could very well be a real battle under actual field conditions, you'd think twice before saying the younger generation isn't what it used to be. It is undoubtedly one of the few times that military school cadets of high school age were left so much to their own devices. Divided into "Red" and "Blue" armies, they made mistakes, but they worked out their own salvation, and all in all really did themselves proud.

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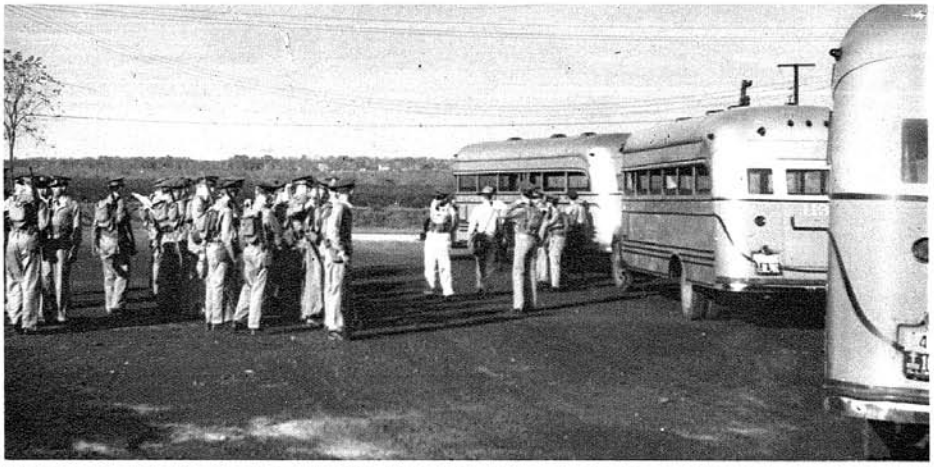
ON THE MARCH—Led by Cadet Edwin Winkelmeyer of St. Louis, Sergeant Tarter of the United States Army, and Cadet Jack Roth of St. Louis, a company of the Red Army steps out in the best approved military manner down a country lane toward the scene of the maneuvers.

NIGHT RAIDERS, BEWARE! There didn't have to be any sirens to warn of the approach of the enemy. These guards of the Blue Army — Cadet Jack Hamilton of the Park Plaza Hotel, Tom Mooney of Clayton and John Albert, Cedar Rapids, Ia.—saw to it that none of the opposition were going to steal their rifles and machine guns in the still of the night.

COME AND TAKE US, if you can! a bluff, some of the Blue Infantry,
710 South Meramec: Otto Dickmc



FIVE MILES OUTSIDE of Alton these cadets entrucked for a 15-mile lift. Under the shuttle system of advance, the boys marched five miles, rode a bus for 15 and then hiked another five miles, and so when the busses hove into sight they were a welcome relief to aching "dogs."

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BRING 'EM ON, we're ready! A "Blue" machine gun squad, composed of Dick Slack, 17 Fordyce lane; Bob Reich of Chicago, and John McDonough of Lakewood, Ohio, commands the valley and the approach of the enemy and is anxious to see the enemy expose its position.

SIMULATING the type of action that they could possibly expect in hand-to-hand engagements, the Red Infantry, with battle in its every movement, sweeps up a slope to attack a machine-gun nest. Seen here are James Long of Clayton; Tom Scott of Paragould, Ark., and Dick Yetter, 6814 Fairmont avenue.

MASSED TOGETHER on the hillside of a farm to get their final instructions these Blue reserves are getting ready to move in for a flanking attack as the "zero hour" approaches.

n! Defending their position atop
ry, composed of Frank Imboden,
kmann, 3903 Connecticut street,
o., calmly await the attack.

THE YOUNG CADETS are beginning to realize what Gen. Sherman meant when he uttered his famous "War is hell" declaration. Blistered and chafed feet is part of the army life, and receiving first aid here in the camp at night by lantern light are John Hughes of Kokomo, Ind.; Bob Miller of De
ough of Lakewood, Ohio, with Sergt. W
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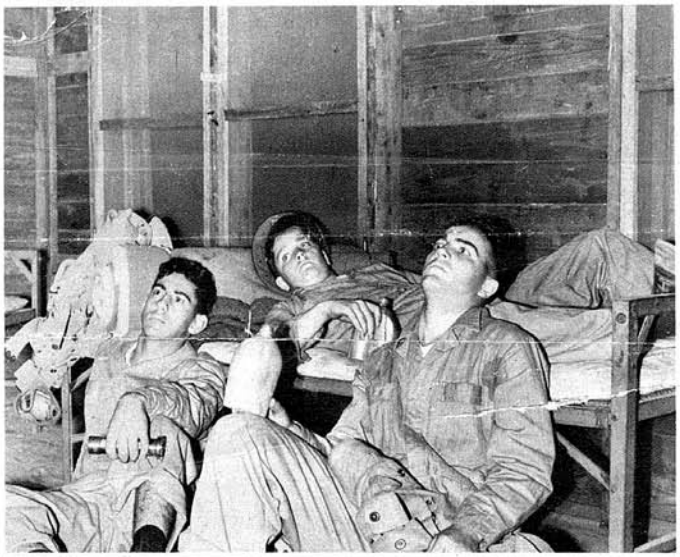
THERE'S FUN AND WORK, TOO, IN THE ARMY

THE REAL FUN of the maneuvers, as far as these lads were concerned, was the army fare—"canned willie," beans and hard tack. Seen here in the mess hall of the camp, starting clockwise with the cadet with the fork in his mouth, are Jordan Hauss of East St. Louis; Henry Mester of Springfield, Ill.; Bob Vosburgh of St. Louis; Harmon Young of Webster Groves, and Frank Imboden of St. Louis.



UTTERLY WORN OUT at the end of a day of marching, these members of the Blue Army, Gerald Sklar of Detroit, Rick Kiger of Mattoon, Ill., and Carl Braun of Toledo, fall across their bunks after their first real taste of army life.

FAREWELL TO ARMS! For the moment at least, these cadets, George Deutman, Roland Heiser, Jack Roth of 5337 Delmar and Louis Muentefering of East St. Louis, can relax from their arduous mock campaign and concentrate on an old-fashioned bull session.

LINING UP FOR MESS was a welcome part of army training for [illegible] Henderson of Glenview, Ill.; Don Anishanslin, 4328 [illegible] Webb of Texarkana, Tex.; Bill Clements [illegible] Brant of Indianapolis

THE WAR'S ON again for Cadets Dick Schleyer of University City and Fred Endsley of Robinson, Ill., who seize their rifles and prepare for action. Throughout the maneuvers, the boys showed excellent morale.

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'SOLDIERS,' BUT NO DRAFT WORRIES!

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WITH AN ALTAR set up in the doorway of one of the camp cabins, Father George M. Link, Catholic priest of Grafton, Ill., and well-known state naturalist at the Marquette State Park, holds an early morning field mass on Sunday for the cadets.

COMES THE DAWN and the lads are given a critique on march discipline. Although Western Military Academy is primarily an academic institution, for the past 20 years it has been designated an honor school by the War Department.

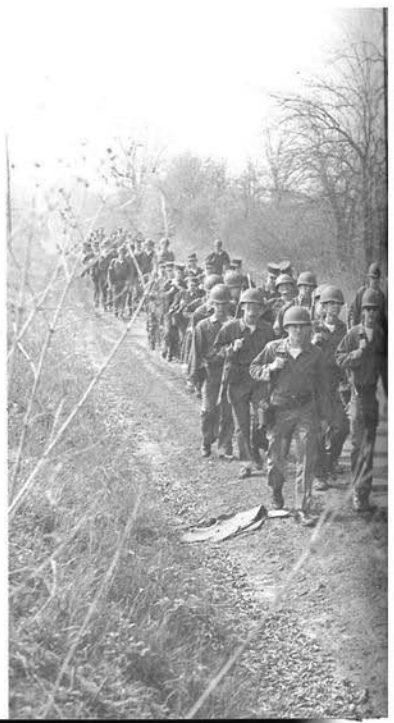
MODERN WARFARE calls for modern devices, the reason you see the [illegible] a smoke screen here while on the attack. Visible in the photo are Bob MacMahon, 3862 Utah place; Thompson Rawls, Forest Park Hotel, and Ed Kummer of St. Louis.

WITH THE MANEUVERS nearing their finish, the Blue Army attaches an antitank gun to the back of a station wagon for transportation back to the Academy. Handling the heavy weapon are George Koertell, 3917 Federer place; Charles Boutin of Cape Girardeau; David Montgomery of Quincy, Ill.; Gordon Woehler of Rockford, Ill., and Otto Dickmann of St. Louis.

THE WAR IS OVER! After 24 hours of continuous battling, involving practically every phase of modern warfare, Cadet Roland Heiser of Kenilworth, Ill., sounds the recall. The boys were unanimously in favor of this innovation in military school training.

Maneuvers

Military maneuvers are lots of fun and give all cadets an opportunity to practice in the field what they have learned in the military science classrooms.



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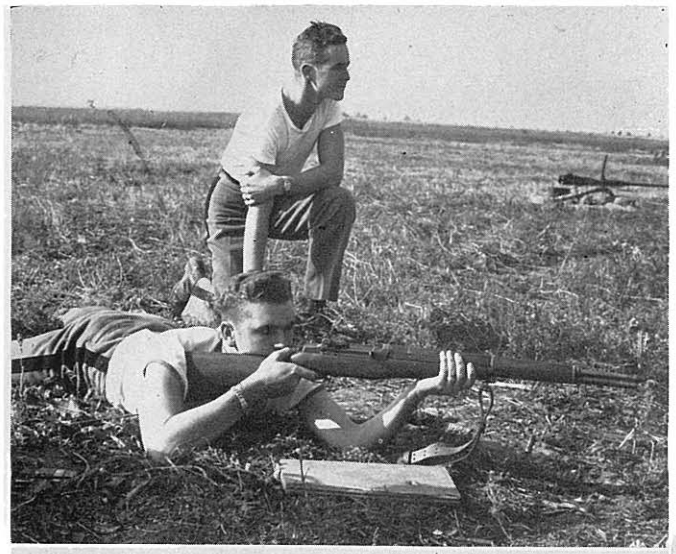
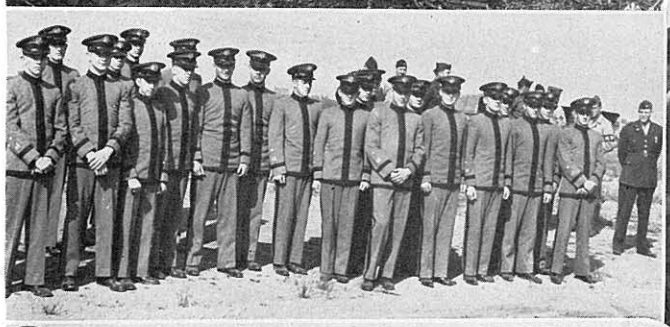
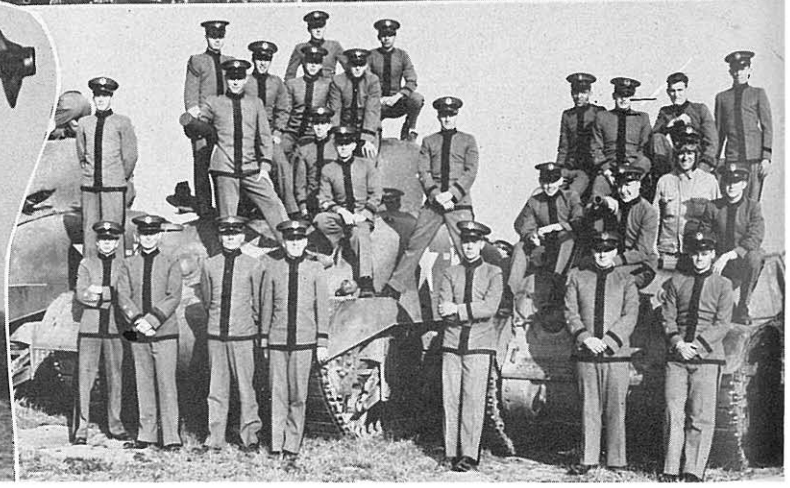
SENIORS VISIT CAMP ELLIS

Who can forget that all-day trip to Camp Ellis as guests of Col. Sullivan and Lt. Col. Moore? The military seniors fired all kinds of modern weapons, rode in tanks, saw exhibitions by regular troops, and ate Army chow. It was a memorable day.







Whiteside has a "garand" time.
Maj. Conrad and seniors at air strip.
Monk Peters knocks 'em off.
Which end shoots, Chuck?

Rabbit Hearst draws a bead as Col. Moore watches.
"Tanks a million"—just before the tank rides.

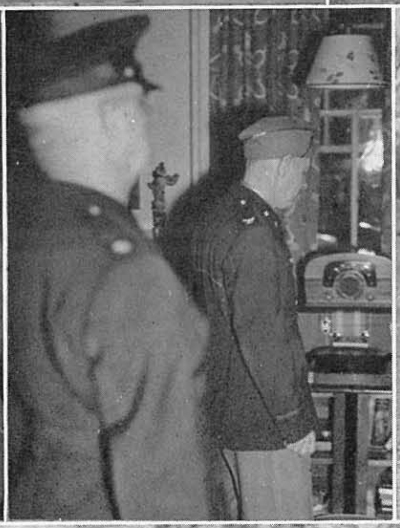
FIRST GOVERNMENT INSPECTION

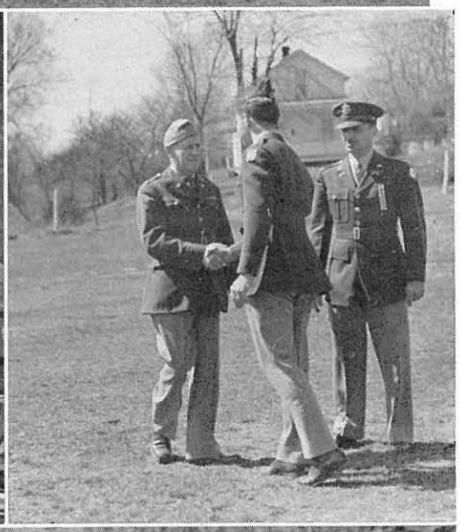
ıe cadet corps had two "G. I's." this year. The ame on Feb. 9, when Maj. Crone, Capt. Ras-n, and Capt. Templeton put the cadets through paces for the War Department. The boys were and made a good score in military work.

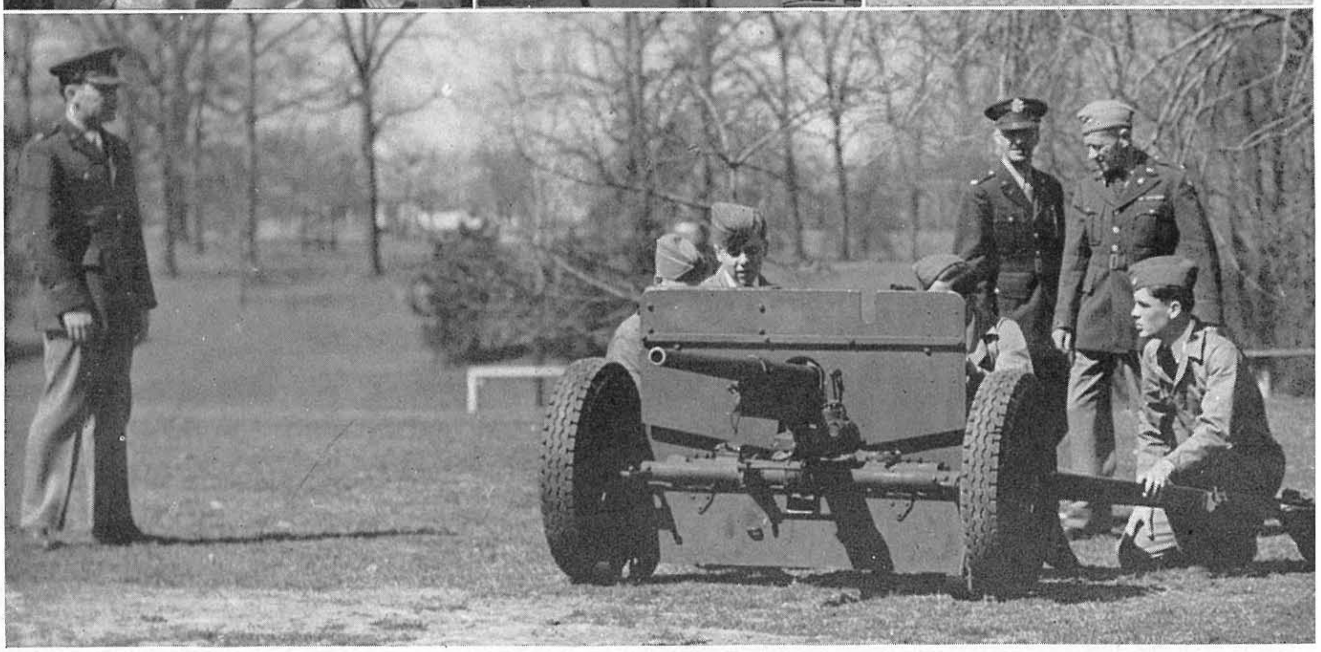
l Maeys pass or fail?
' gosh, he must have found a speck of dust!

Inspecting the 1st Platoon of "B".
The color guard passes in review before the inspecting officers.
"What's your rifle number?"

INSPECTION PREVIEW

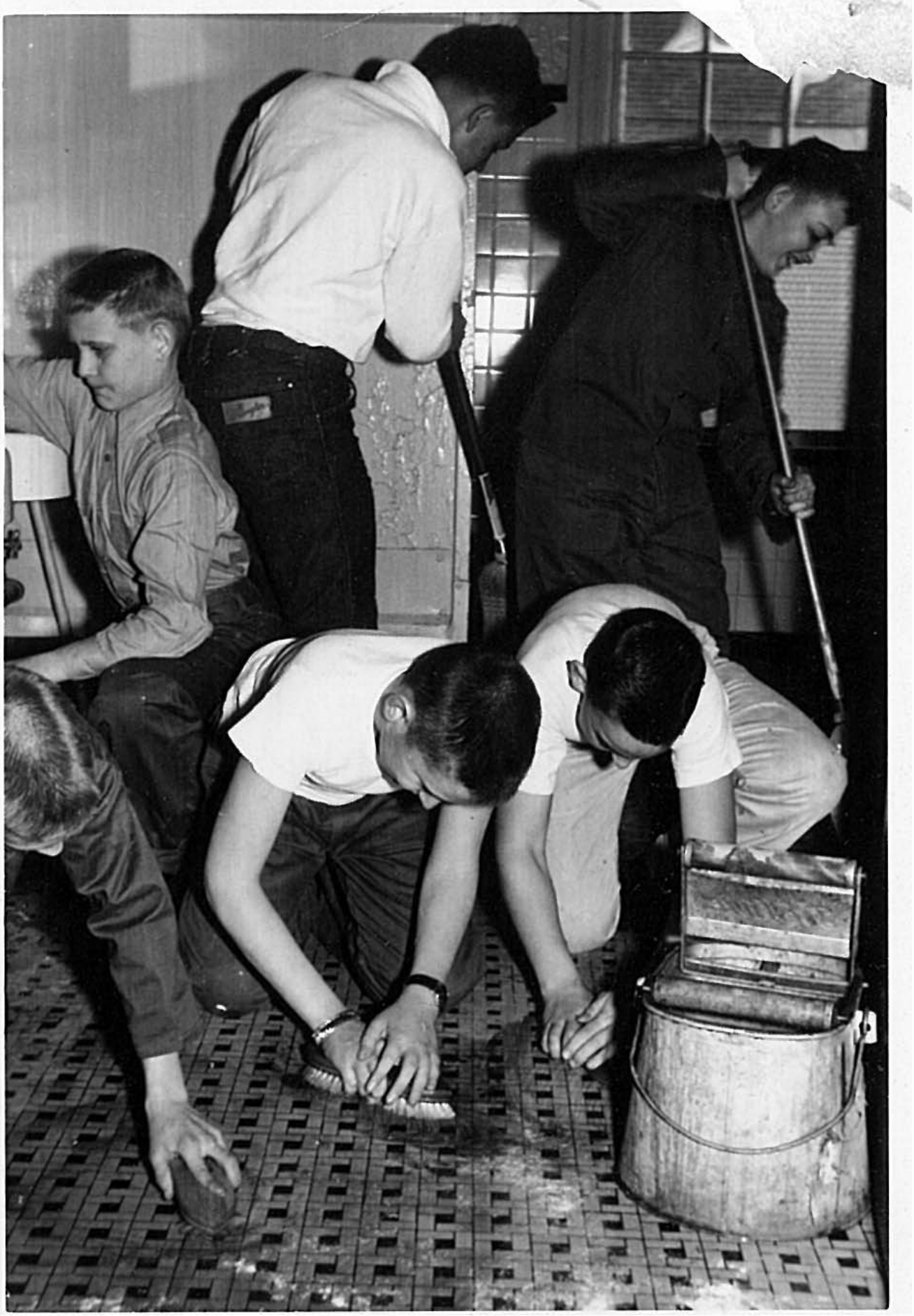




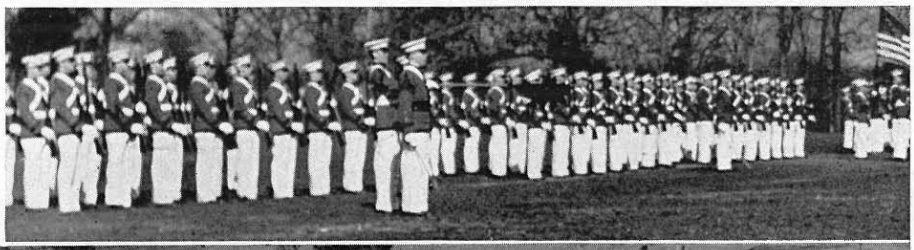


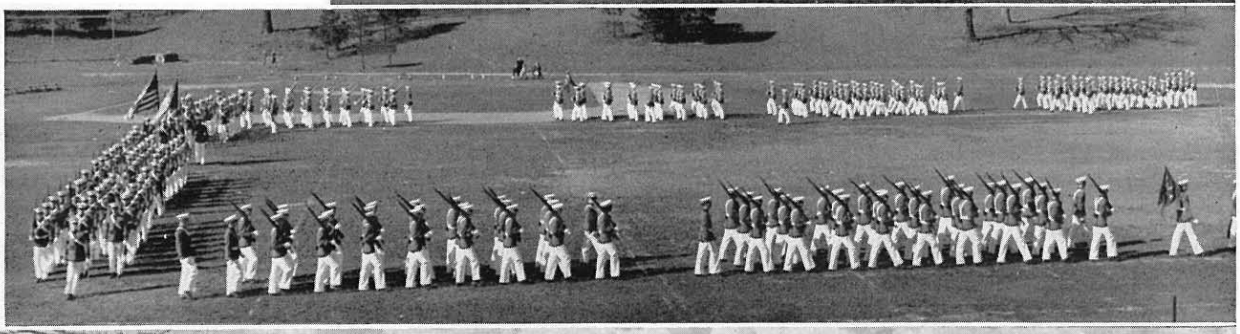
COL. SHAIFER, 6TH SERVICE COMMAND, HOLDS PRELIMINARY INSPECTION

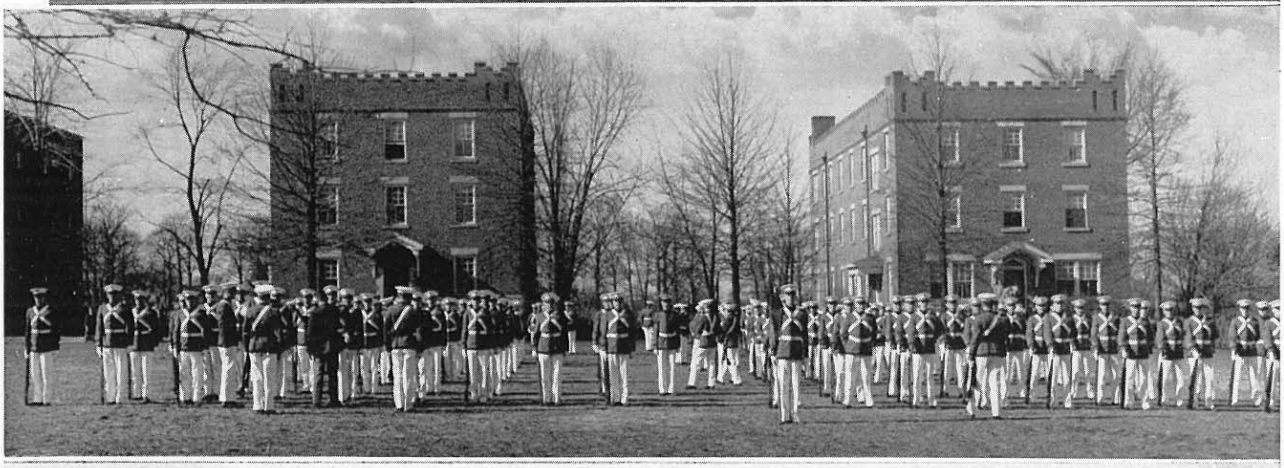
1. Machine gun drill.
2. Sub-calibre weapons.
3. Handling the big gun.
4. Colonel and Commandant enter "A".
5. Room Inspection.
6. Inspector meets Lt. Pearce.
7. (Below) Anti-tank gun squad gives demonstration.

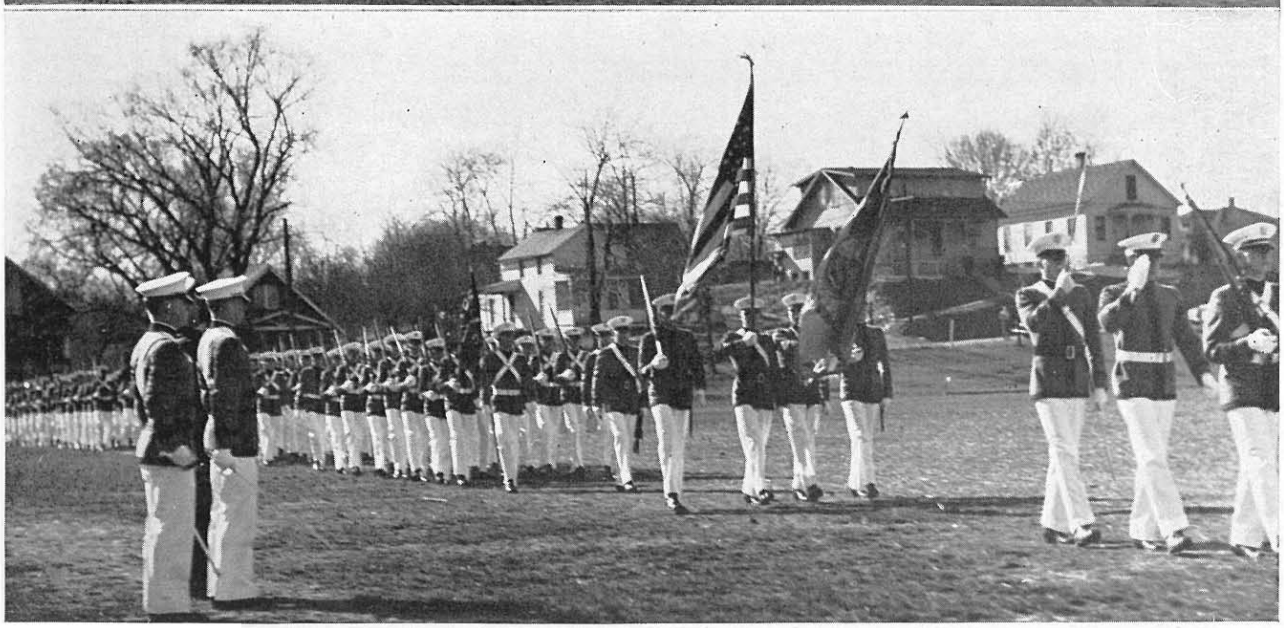


SUNDAY PARADE



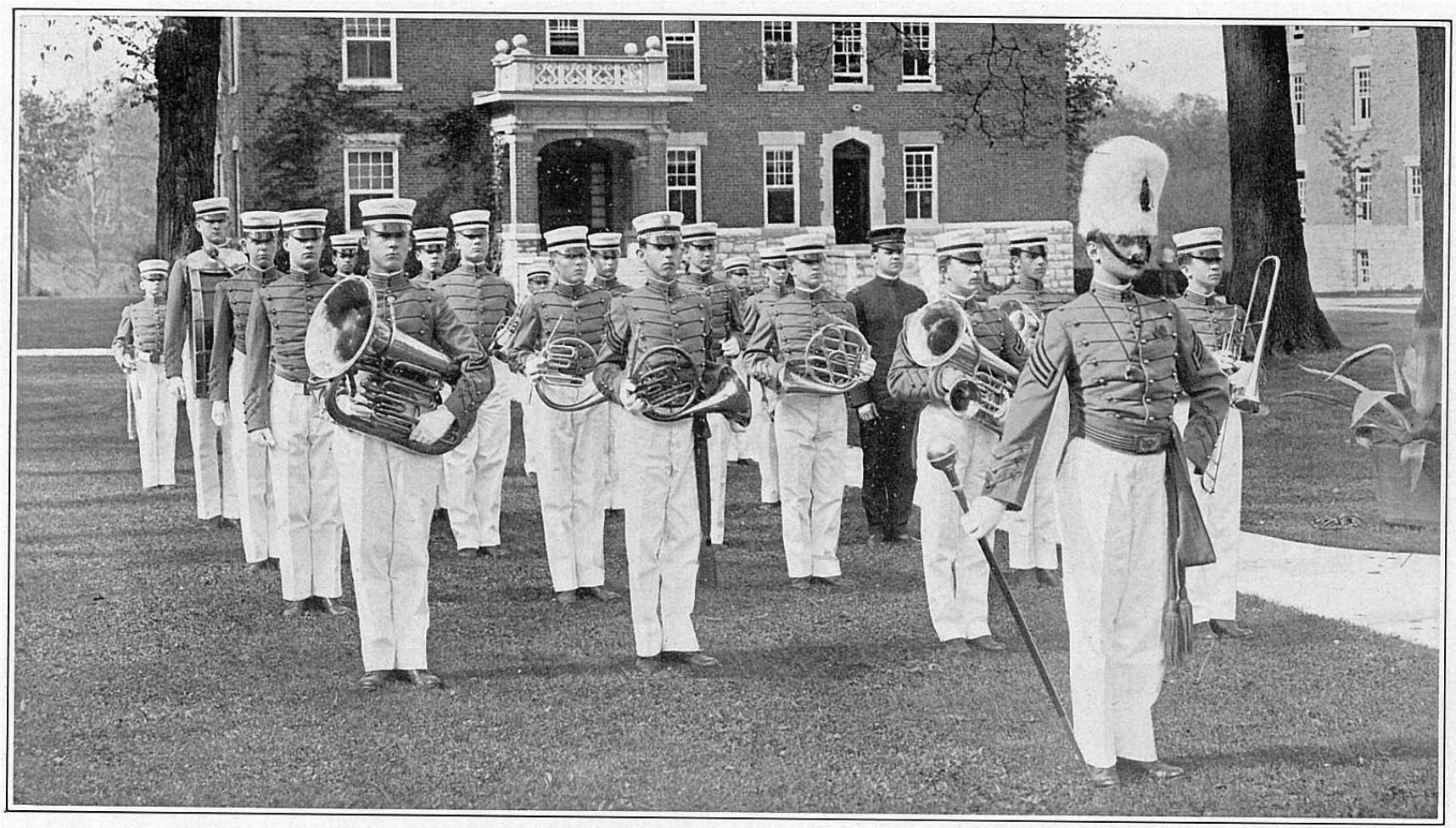




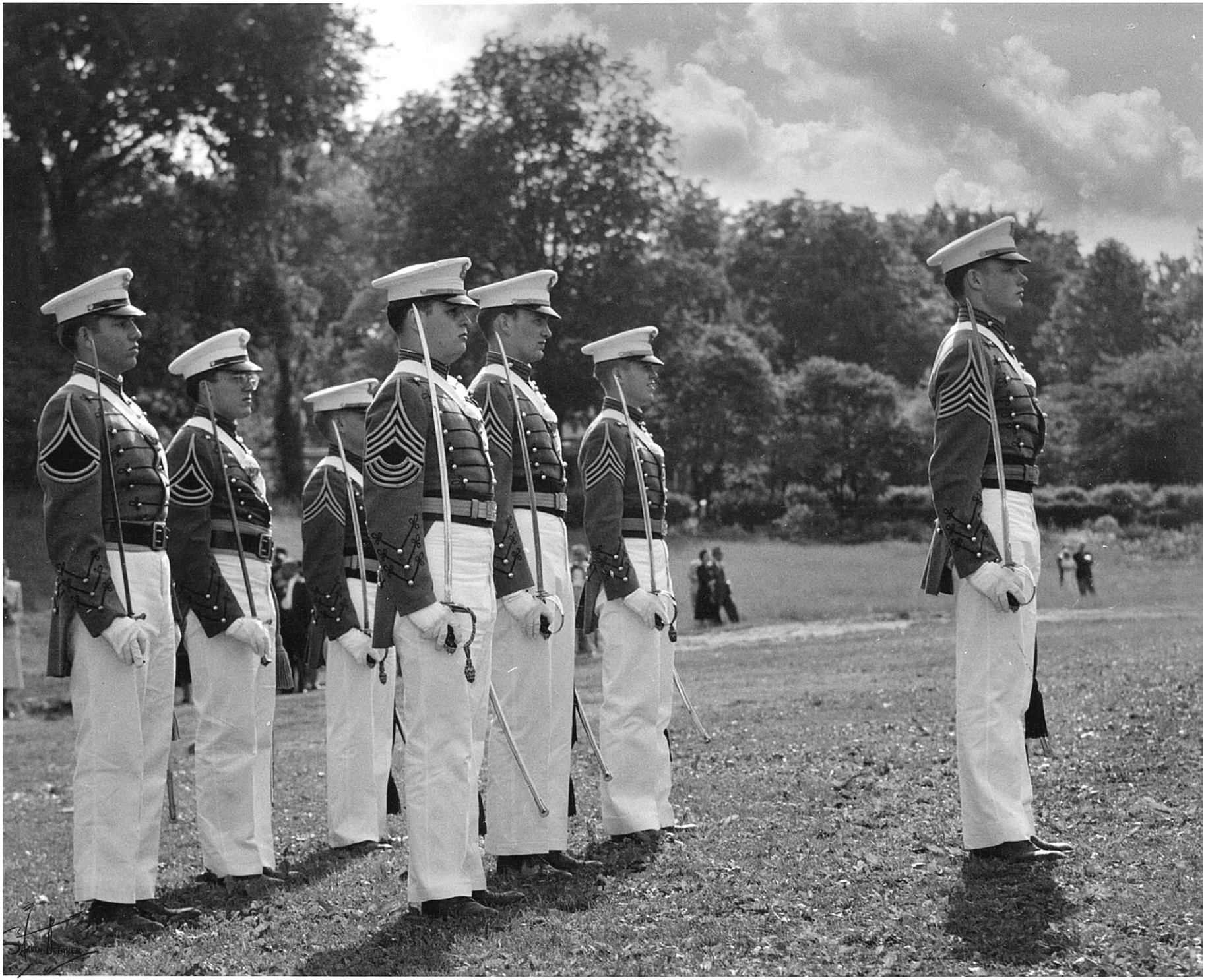


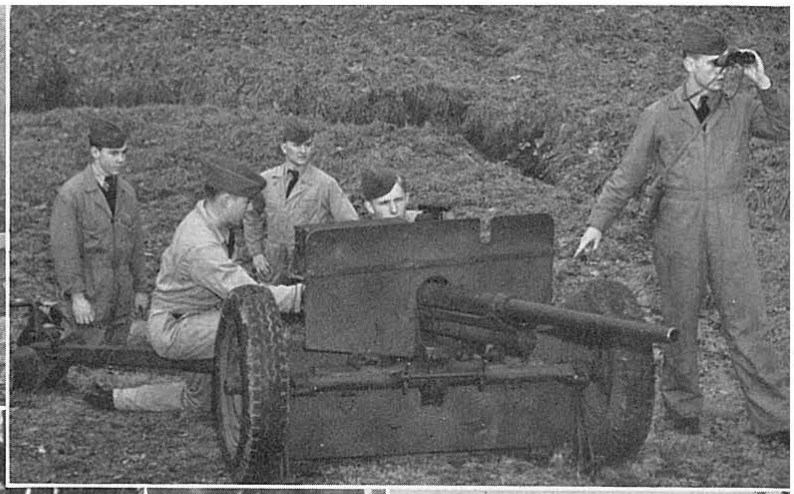
NOTHING IS SO SNAPPY AS THE CORPS IN A SPRING SUNDAY PARADE

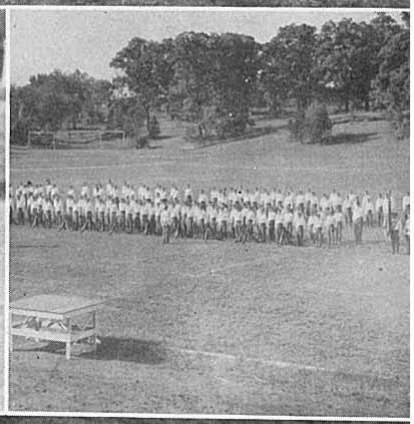
1. Battalion presents arms.
2. The companies march past the reviewing officers.
3. Ready for inspection on the upper field.
4. The colors go by in stirring martial spectacle.

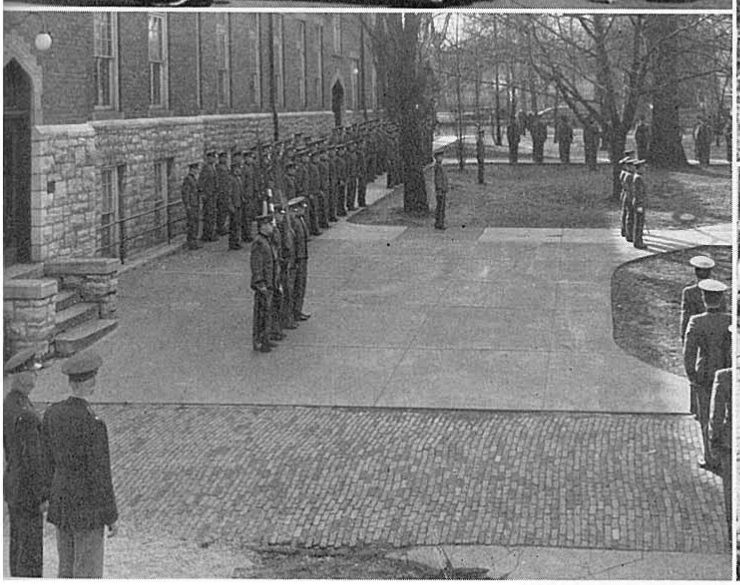


Cadet Band.









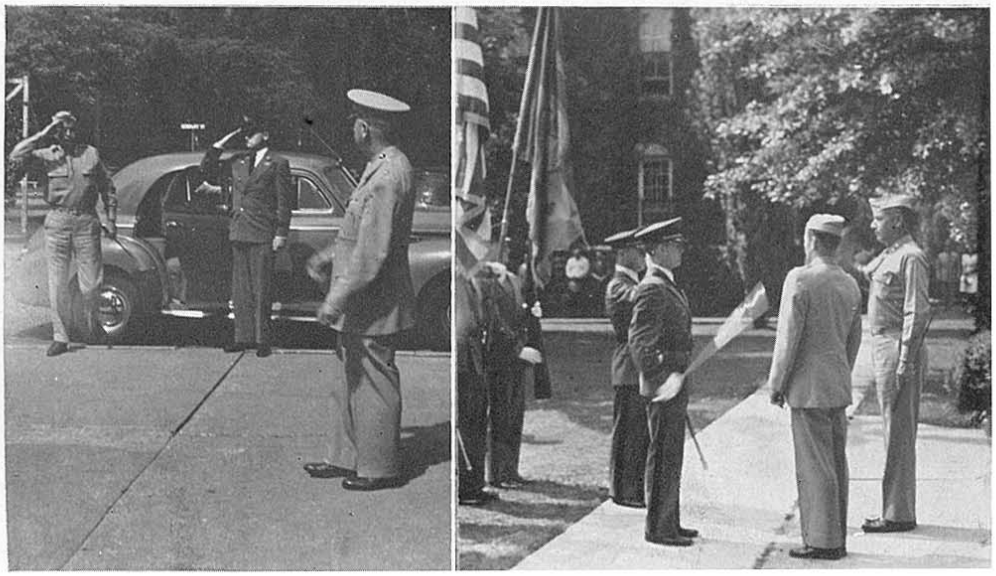
It's all in a Military Year

THAT MEMORABLE COMMENCEMENT OF 1944

The commencement of 1944 was one to remember. Above, part of the exciting military demonstrations is shown: Upper picture, Weeke's platoon charging in the sham battle; lower picture, McDonald and Davey firing the "bazooka."

But the feature of the occasion was the visit of Western's own Maj. General Harry Collins, Class '15, commander and trainer of the Rainbow Division, who returned to the campus to deliver the address to the graduates. The arrival of this distinguished alumnus is pictured below.

GEN. COLLINS ARRIVES



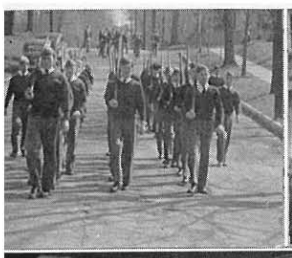
Left — Gen. Collins arrives on campus, as Maj. Henderson awaits to greet him, and Adkins, orderly, salutes.

Right — Gen. Collins, with Lt. Col. Moore, meets Porter, the Cadet Major.

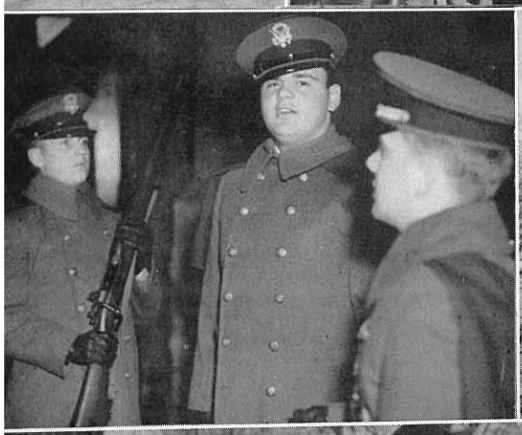
ON THE WESTERN FRONT

On the march

Lt. Pearce inspects Trainor's gun.

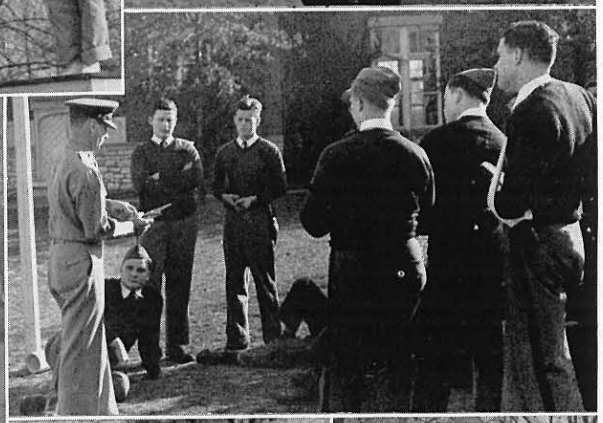


Yoder parries a thrust.



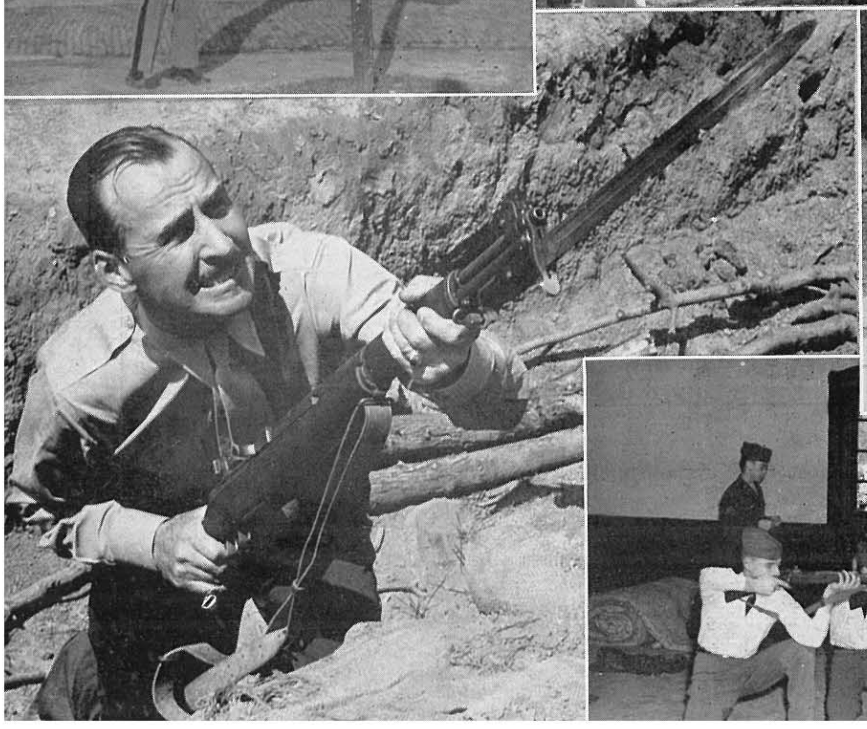
Night guard duty

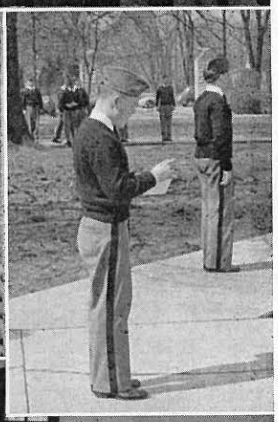
Capt. Pitt leads exercise.



Morahn sounds a call.

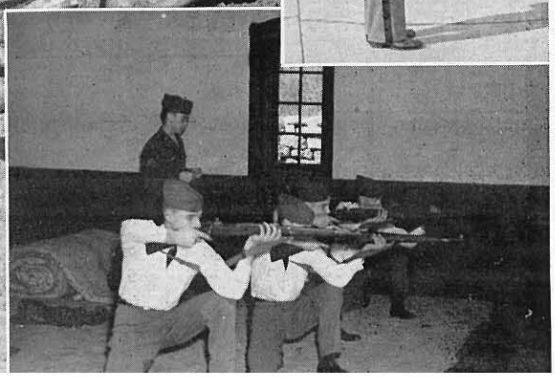
Military class out-of-doors.



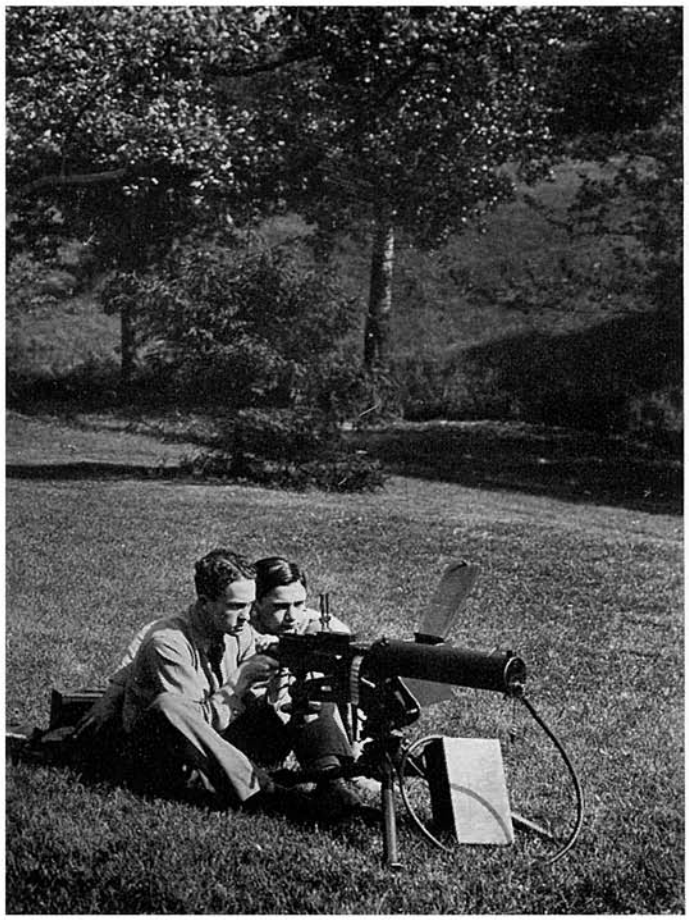


Tommy Jackson reads orders

Col. Moore is tough in a trench



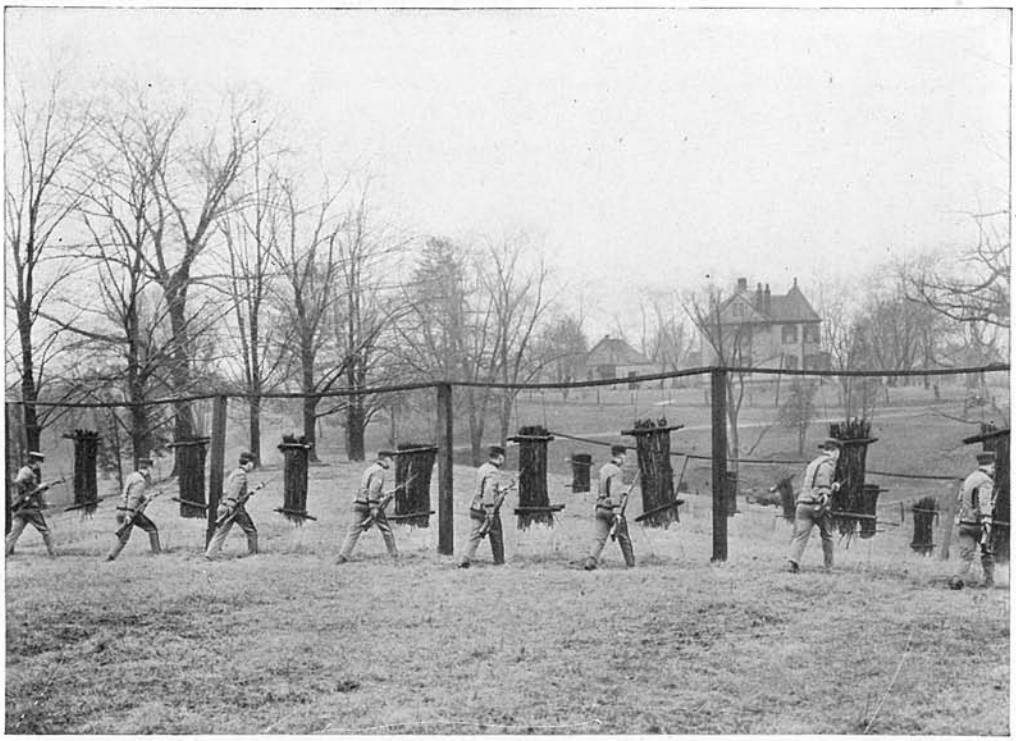
Sgt. Coon's Marksmen



Military authorities of the United States have consistently expressed their admiration of Western Military Academy's conduct of military training in all its branches.

The routine of close-order drill is of particular value in the development of precision, promptness, and coordination of mind and muscle. Instruction in the use of the special weapons which are part of the equipment of a company of infantry adds interest and variety to the program.

Bayonet Training



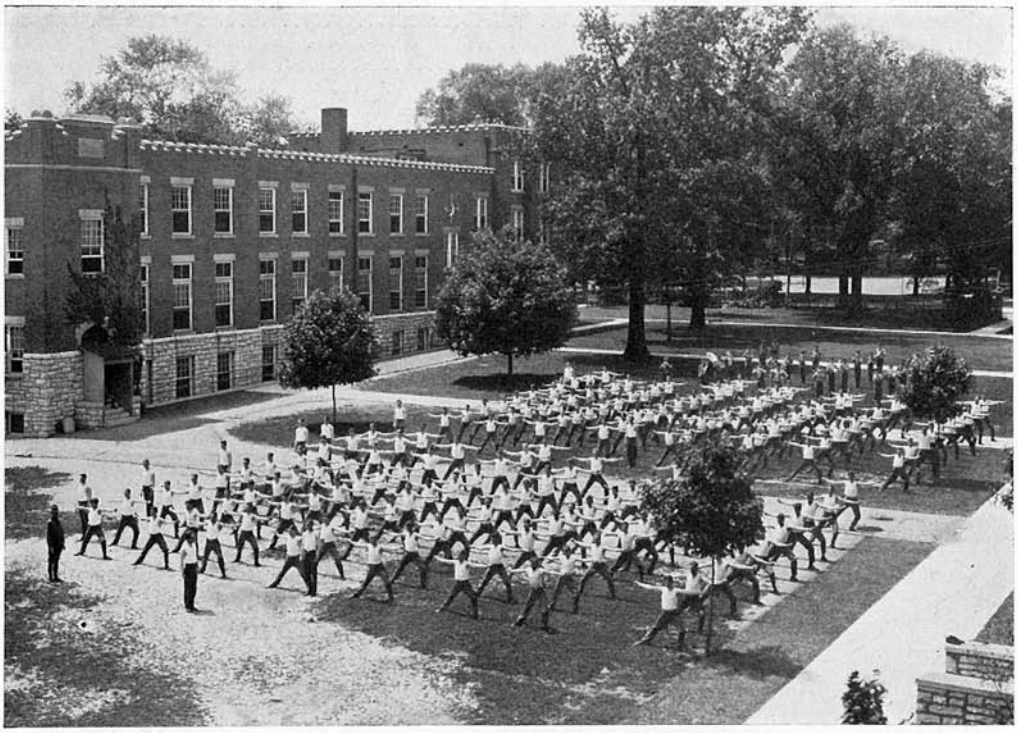
BAYONET training is a form of exercise which requires both individual skill and team work. Experts of the service believe that there is no form of exercise which is more beneficial to the health than that received through the manual of the bayonet. A man who enters into this type of training in a consistent, spirited, and determined manner will receive not only a development of muscle but a greater developed co-ordination between the mind and the muscles. With the mind and muscles trained to the alertness of instant response, the man, combining practice with theory, is able to test his skill against that of his opponent.

At Western work in this phase of military training has followed the courses of instruction which were given in the training camps during the World War. Each year, as soon as the cadet is familiar with the handling of his rifle, instruction in this art is given. The result is that a bayonet team, selected thru platoon competition, becomes one of the prominent features of the Military Department.

Charles H Moore

Captain of Inf. I. N. G.

Calisthenics



WHEN a basket ball player leaves an opening in his guard, the opposing player does not consciously estimate the distance and weigh the desirability of passing the ball in one of several ways. His muscles are trained to respond instantly to the slightest nervous impulse and the ball is thrown before the untrained man would have had time to estimate the situation. Those phases of athletics that train the muscles to respond instantly and accurately to a situation perceived through the senses, are doing much to make of the body a true servant of the mind and thus are raising the degree of efficiency to which it is possible for the man to attain.

Regular exercise is necessary to the proper growth and development of the body and during the period of growth is the time for the training in muscular coordination and control referred to above. So it is very necessary for the work in a school for boys where participation in athletics is not compulsory, to include something that will provide those two essentials. This is the function of the physical drill.

The work is not planned with the idea of producing Sandows but through the medium of a condition conducive to the best health it is expected to make it possible for each cadet to develop into a better physical man than he otherwise would.

E A Walker

Major, Inf., I. N. G.,
Commandant of Cadets.

Machine Gun

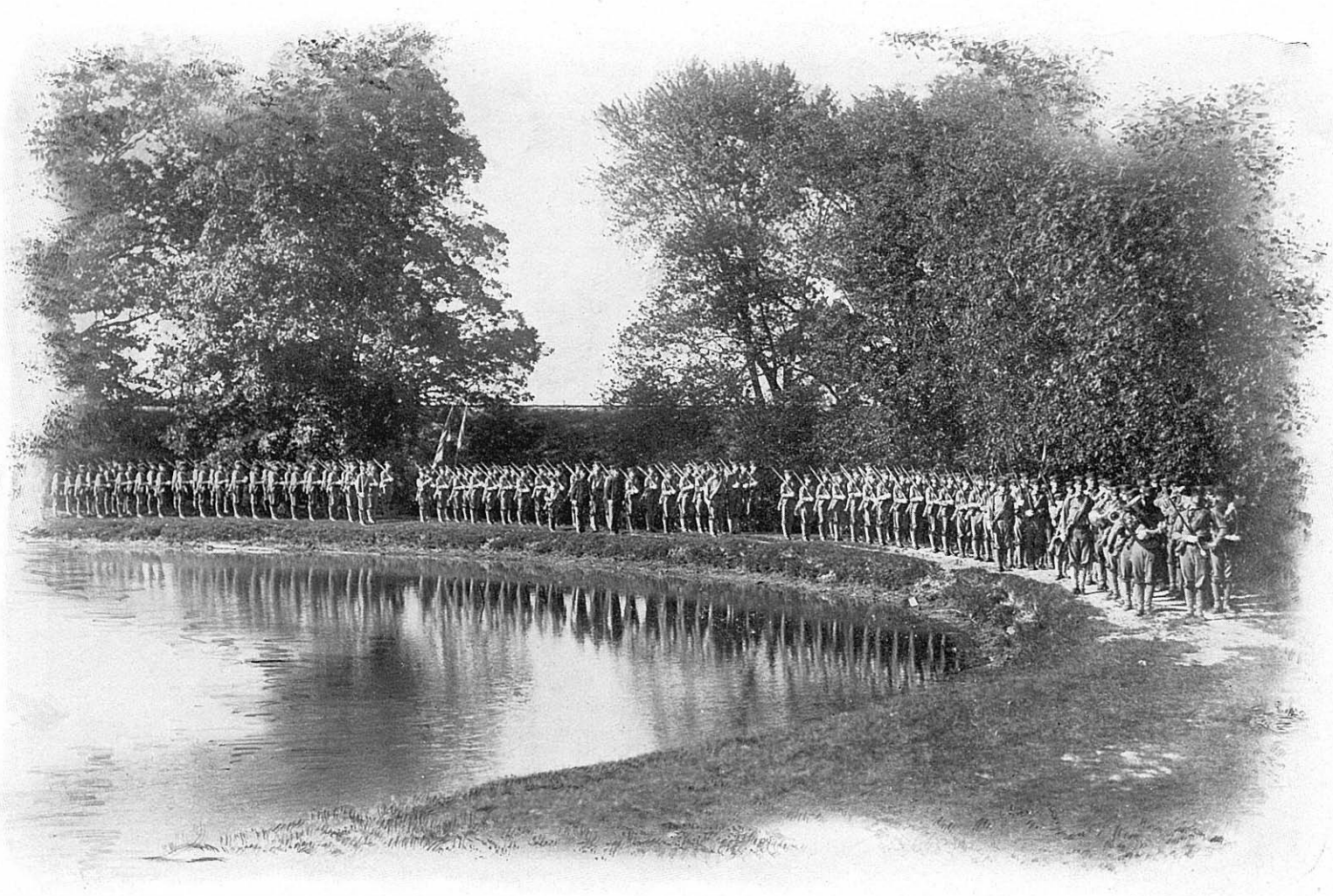
Machine Gun Instruction

IN order that military instruction may be in keeping with modern practice, the War Department issues to each R. O. T. C. Unit a complete collection of infantry weapons. This material includes the Stokes mortar, one pounder, machine gun, and automatic rifle. Of these the machine gun has the greatest tactical importance.

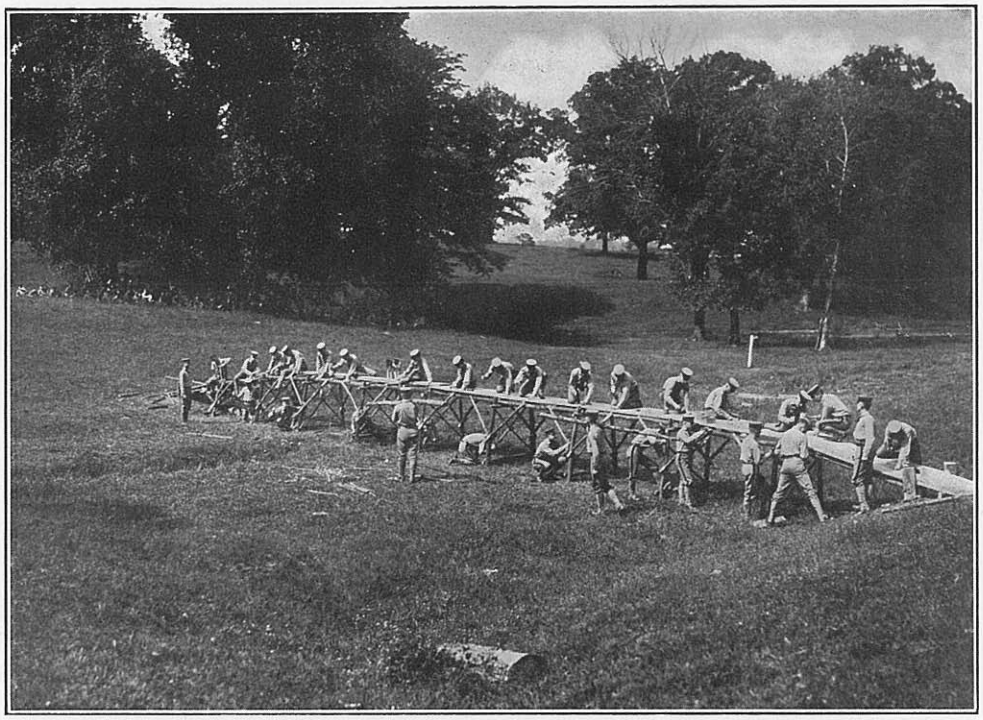
Preliminary instruction in machine guns begins with a study of the nomenclature, operation, and dismounting of the Browning gun. From those who complete this elementary course two gun squads are selected for further training. They are instructed in the drill of the gun squad—rapid mounting and dismounting and service of the piece. The next step is firing on the 1000 inch range. Special machine guns targets are used, involving sweeping, searching, and oblique traversing. The last part of the course is work in the field—putting the guns in position to accomplish a given mission promptly and without breaking defilade. Belt-filling stations are established, and a continuous supply of ammunition provided from the ammunition dump to the guns.

Charles Fairman

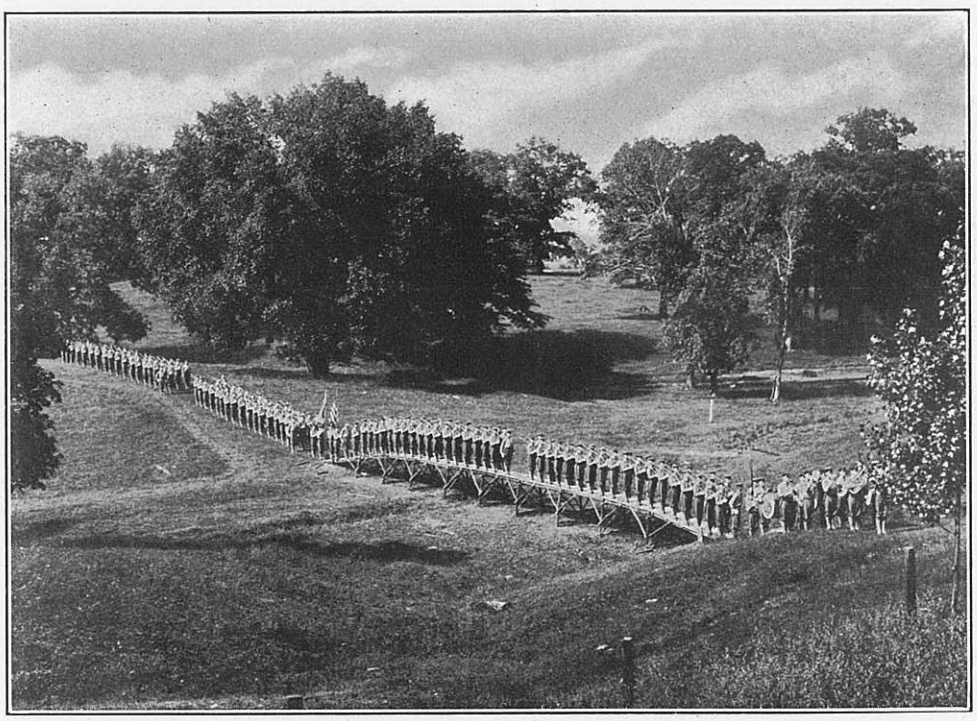
Captain, F. A.—O. R. C.



Cadets on Practice March.

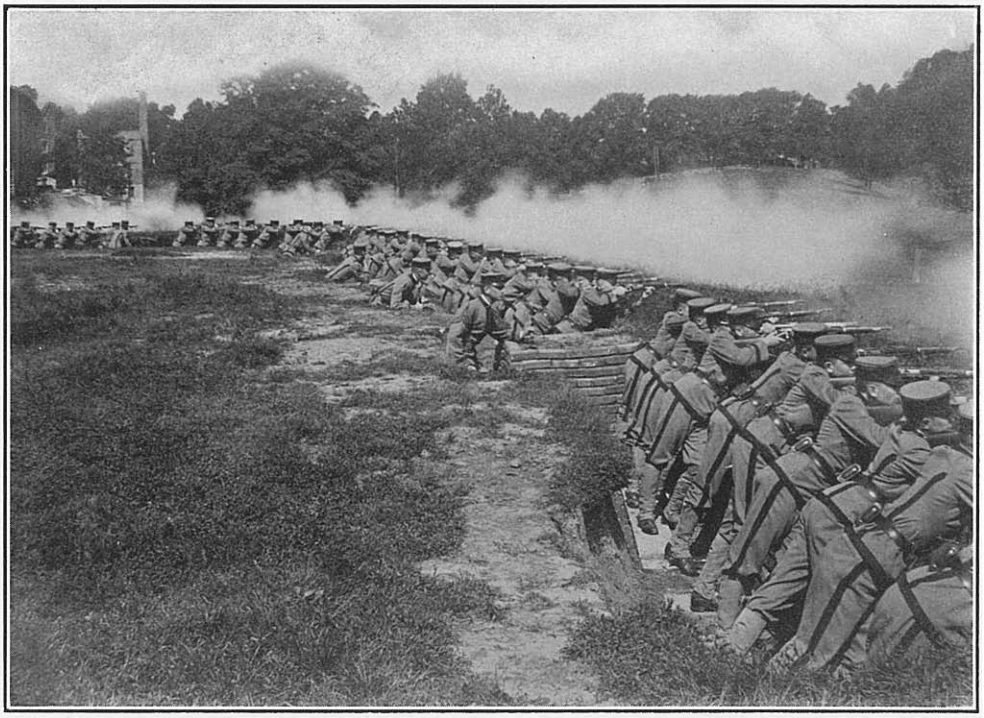


Cadets Building Military Trestle Bridge, 100 feet long.



Battalion of Cadets Crossing Military Trestle Bridge.

Cadets Constructing Simple Standing Trench, 170 feet long.



Cadets Defending Trench.

TIME

The time devoted to the military work is so arranged as neither to interfere with academic work nor to preclude reasonable participation in athletics and other school recreations, and the various drills are so managed as to subject the cadets neither to hardships nor to exposure. *The systematic exercise, regular hours, correct and honorable habits of life taught and insisted upon, result in a strong physique, an excellent carriage, a well-poised mind, and a noble character.*

USUAL DAILY ROUTINE

6:00 a. m.	First Call.
6:20 a. m.	Reveille.
6:25 a. m.	Sick Call.
6:50 a. m.	Calisthenics.
7:00 a. m.	Breakfast.
7:40 a. m.	Inspection of Quarters.
8:05 a. m.	Chapel.
8:20 to 9:54 a. m.	Recitation and Study.
10:01 to 11:40 a. m.	Recitation, Study and Drill.
11:50 a. m.	Lunch.
12:40 to 3:00 p. m.	Recitation and Study.
3:00 to 5:45 p. m.	Recreation.
4:15 p. m. (Sundays)	Battalion Parade.
4:45 to 5:30 p. m. (Sundays)	Study.
5:45 p. m.	Call to Quarters.
6:00 p. m.	Dinner.
6:35 p. m.	Call to Quarters.
7:15 to 8:45 p. m.	Study.
8:45 p. m.	Call to Quarters.
9:00 p. m.	Tattoo.
9:10 p. m.	Taps.
9:45 p. m.	Officer's Report of Taps Inspections.

MACHINE GUN DRILL

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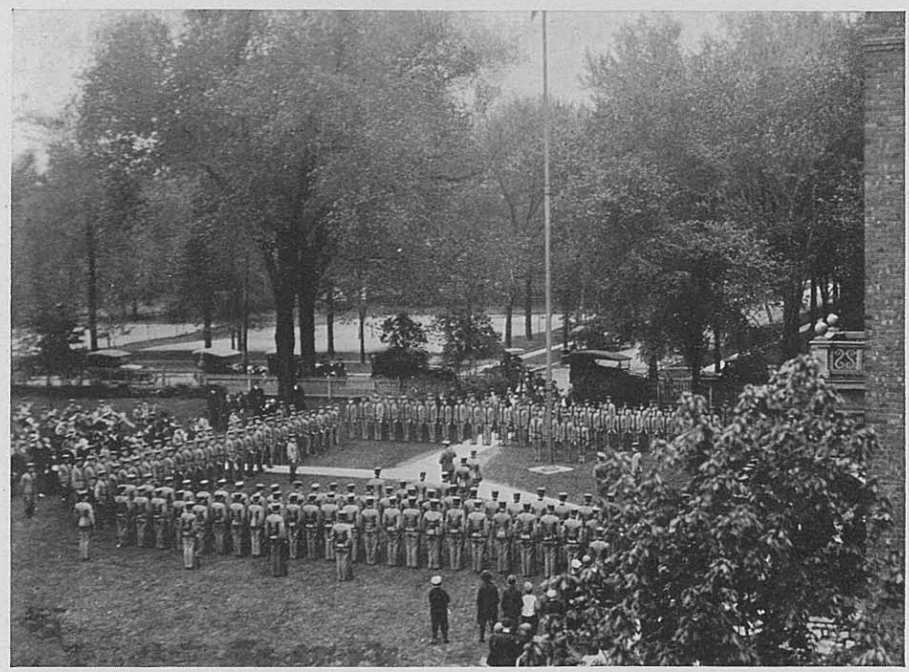
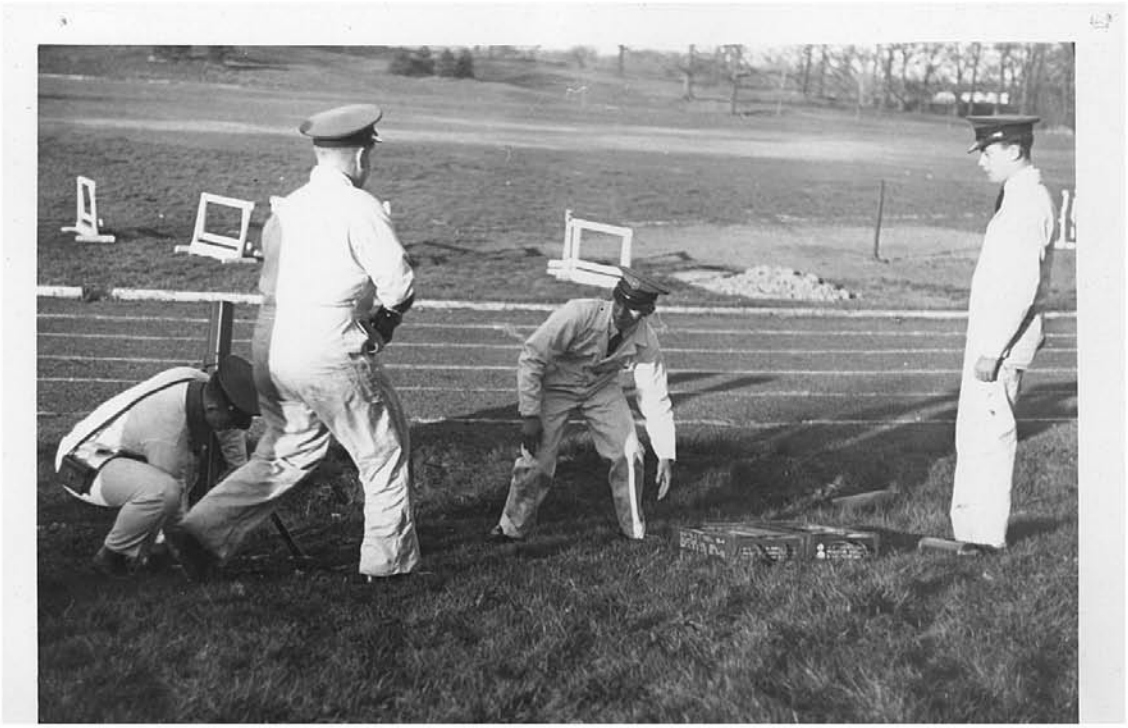
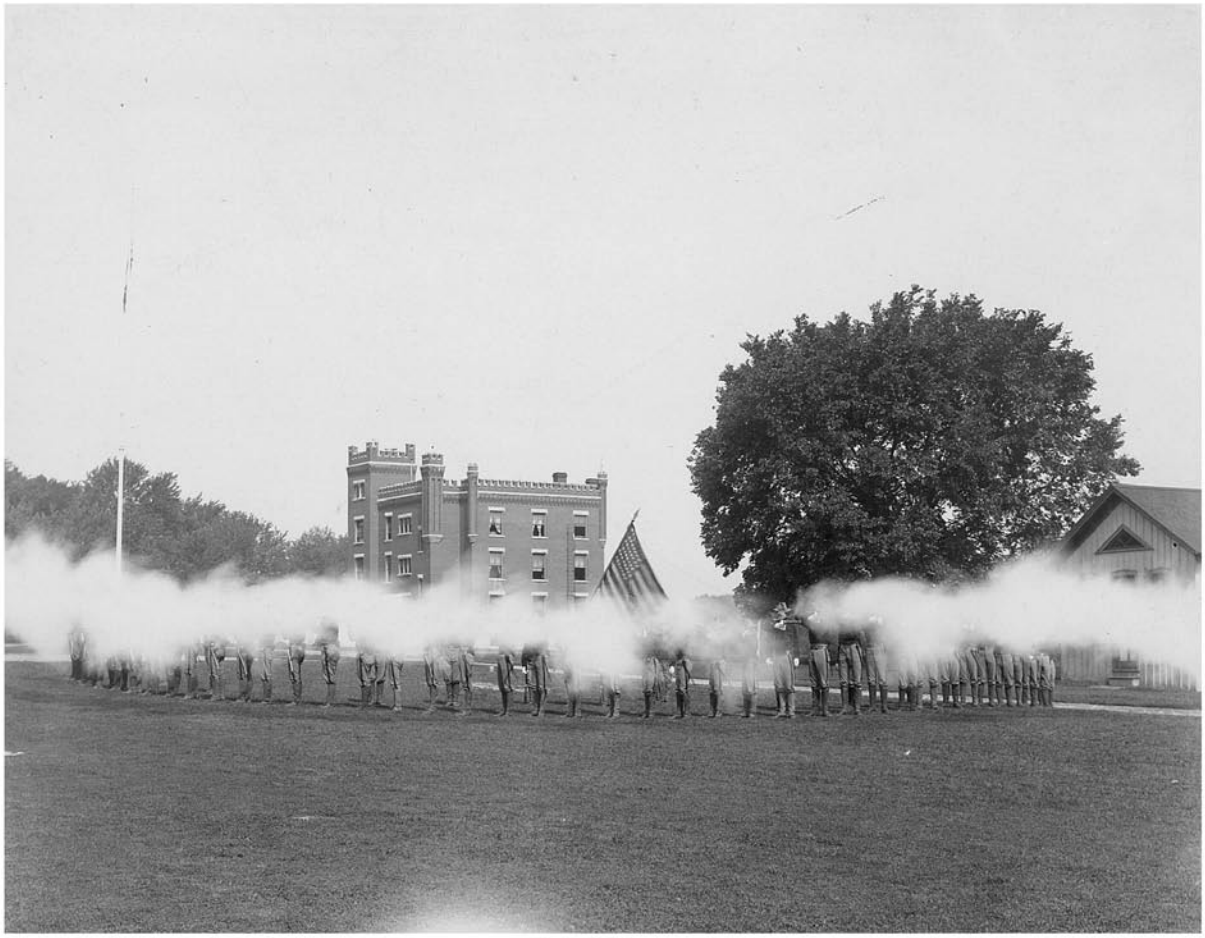


MASS INSTRUCTION IN BOXING
RAISING SERVICE FLAG IN HONOR OF 600 FORMER CADETS IN THE WORLD WAR





T. H. Benton, Noted Artist, Remembers Fine Teacher Here

Thomas Hart Benton, the famous Missouri artist, was a cadet here in 1906. In a recent book, "The Teacher", edited by Morris Ernst (Prentice-Hall, $4.95), which relates classroom experiences of prominent persins, Mr. Benton pays tribute to one of his W.M.A. teachers.

He said, "I believe the teacher who made what is perhaps the most decisive impression in my life, the one who occasioned a most decisive turn therein, was a portly, white-haired lady who caught me in my seventeenth year when I was putting in a sojourn at a military academy at Alton, Illinois.

"She was the head of the English department at that place, and she undertook to relieve my general restlessness and boredom with the military business by introducing me to English poetry. She took me not only in her regular classes, but after school hours in her home in town, where she coaxed me into reading Wordsworth, Shelley, Keats, Rosetti, and other poets of that time. Robert Browning was her special love, and it was through Browning's poems about Italian painters and her romantic enthusiasm that she made an impact upon me."

Mrs. Beall, librarian, says the teacher Mr. Benton referred to was probably Mrs. Mary K. Dodge.

This information was sent to Col. Jackson by Miss Helen Wilkinson, 1105 S.E. First St., Apt. C-3, Evansville, Indiana 47713. She has been director of music in the Evansville schools. She is the daughter of the late Major Robert E. Wilkinson, who for forty years was the beloved head of the mathematics department, principal, and Dean of the Faculty. He died in 1943.

Thanks to Miss Wilkinson for the information about Thomas Hart Benton.

THOMAS HART BENTON, FORMER CADET, CAUSES ARGUMENT ABOUT ART

Mr. Thomas Hart Benton, Missouri artist, has been the subject of much attention and criticism concerning his murals for the Missouri state capitol building at Jefferson City. Mr. Benton attended Western in 1910 and will be remembered by cadets of that year. He has not been closely associated with the academy since he left, but in view of his recent role in the mural controversy we feel an interest in him.

Benton recently completed a series of mural paintings, taking two years to finish, for the capitol building. These are excellent paintings, but they seem to merit more than usual explanation to Missouri citizens. Many prominent figures in Missouri's historical past and present may be seen in poses whch Benton says show them "doing the things they ordinarily do, when not on parade." Head of the painting department of the Kansas City Art Institute, Mr. Benton defends queries as to the ideals of his work with the words "that using idealistic art with a realistic medium is naturally shocking in its breaking up of tradition."

Acceptance of his murals by the Missourians is still pending, although critics from an art standpoint call them excellent. A few of these works were reproduced several weeks ago in a St. Louis Sunday paper. The March 3rd issue of pictorial "Life" devoted several pages to full-color copies and discussion of Benton's efforts.

The arguments about Benton's paintings center around such questions as this: "Why did he include the political boss, Tom Pendergast, and omit General Pershing, both of whom are Missourians?"

Benton answered that Pershing is not a part of the Missouri social background while Pendergast is.

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To

Captain A. W. PRINCE,

Our Basket Ball Coach,

Whose judicious and enthusiastic efforts has endeared him to the individual members, and has led the team to the front rank in the Interscholastic League,

and to

THE BASKET BALL TEAM,

Whose unflinching self-denial, steady work, and brilliant proficiency have brought honor to themselves and to the Academy, we gladly dedicate this, the Basket Ball Number

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THE REVEILLE.

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HERNANDO.

A Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

By T. H. Benton.

HERNANDO stumbled dejectedly along, brushing against the corners of the houses, which lined the narrow street. His hat was pulled down over his eyes and his long blade clinked against the stone flagging. Under a light cloak thrown over his shoulders he carried his guitar, which, together with his sword, constituted all his worldly possessions. Hernando was poor. His cross old uncle, with whom he lived, had just enough to keep body and soul of himself and his nephew together. They lived in an old Moorish house at the lower end of the town, from the narrow windows of which could be seen the silvery waters of the Mediterranean, stretching away to the south until lost in the tropical sky. Hernando stumbled on, his sword still clinking along on the pavement. Now and then he would emerge from the shadows of the houses and the moon in the dark purple sky would throw his shadow deeply black upon the white street.

It was late, and the young man quickened his step as he approached his destination, his uncle's dwelling. The old man answered the knock, grumblingly opened the door, but Hernando, disregarding his growls, passed him by, and climbed the rickety stairs which led to his own room. He entered and closed the door. The moon, finding its way through a narrow window, left a rug of silver on the dark, bare floor. The boy threw off his cloak and hat and, drawing his cot across the room, sat down where he could gaze out on the waves glinting in the light reflected from the heavens. All was still save for the faint splash of the water as it played on the white, sandy beach. From the east came a soft breeze, stirring the dark locks which fell in tangled masses over the boy's forehead.

Hernando was thinking, thinking of a certain balcony far on the other side of town, under which each night, ever since he had learned to play, he had tuned his guitar and sung the love songs of old Spain. He was thinking of Inez, Inez, the pretty little golden-haired daughter of the South, whose dainty hands had often in times gone by, appeared on the sides of that balcony, dropping him roses in return for his songs, while she twirled her fan and smiled down upon him. And then, too, he was thinking of a different Inez, a changed Inez, who of late did nothing but laugh at his songs and toss jokes at him, and this, too, from the same balcony where before he had been showered with smiles and roses.

Hernando was not of a humorous nature, and this night, when as of old, he had begun to sing and the shutters of the balcony had been quickly closed by unseen hands, it was too much, and he departed, making his way homeward wrapped in angry, passionate thoughts. Inez had often played with him, but not for so long a time or with such persistency, and then, too, she had never failed to make peace when he had begun to show signs of anger. But of late she had not even allowed herself to be seen, only occasionally laughing from behind the closed blinds of the balcony.

Hernando had borne it long enough. He and Inez had been lovers for many years, and now that he was approaching manhood she seemed to be trying, for some unknown reason, to turn him away. It was more than he could bear, and it was for this that he sat by the window in the old Moorish house at the lower end of the town, and gazed out over the purple waves of the Mediterranean, thinking and thinking.

But of Inez. After the boy had left she sat on the balcony and looked down the street after his disappearing figure, half repentant, half laughing. Inez was of marriageable age, and her father, a stern old man, who years before had fought under Ferdinand in Granada, when he drove the Moors from Spain, had often urged her to forget her girlhood lover, and to think of marrying one who did something else beside play and sing, and who more likely would make her a good home. And Inez had been trying to follow her father's instructions, though deep down in her heart she knew that Hernando held a place which no other could fill.

The girl went to bed that night in an unhappy state of mind, troubled with forebodings of some awful disaster, some disaster in which Hernando would figure prominently; possibly he would die, she thought, and would leave this life thinking that she had completely forgotten him, that she had ceased to care for him altogether, and when sleep finally came to her it was troubled and broken, and all rest it brings was denied her. Well might the girl be troubled with premonitions of evil; one might always be fearful at this time, for it was the year 1545, an angry year in an equally angry century, and the dreadful wars of the Emperors Charles and Francis of Spain and France, rivals in the race for the Imperial Crown of the Holy Roman Empire, were just over and the power of the Barbary pirates, which, under the protection of Solyman the Magnificent, of Turkey, had risen so greatly on the Mediterranean during the division and turmoil in Christendom, was at its height, and all the towns along the sea coast were liable to attack at any time. The Mohammedans, with fire and sword, had ravaged Hungary; they had captured Rhodes, the bulwark of Christianity in the East, from the knights of St. John, and were now pillaging the shores of the Mediterranean,and thousands of Christian captives were, under the lash,pulling at the oars of Turkish or Algerian galleys bent on the destruction of their own countries. Thus, when all the Mediterranean was in danger, it is not surprising that Inez was troubled, for one could never tell when one's own home might become the mark of these ravagers of the sea.

But to return to Hernando, sitting by the old Moorish window in the house by the water. The boy had often sat there dreaming and dreaming and weaving

fanciful tales of which he, himself, was always the hero. He often thought of going on that long journey to the new world beyond the stormy Atlantic, where he could gain marvelous wealth and become a great man. He had heard of the riches of this other world, how all could be had for the taking, how gold and precious stones were as common as pebbles on the beach at his feet. But often as he had made up his mind to go, thoughts of Inez had held him back, and his wild dreams always ended with Inez and himself married and living happily together in the town of their childhood.

This night, thinking that she had completely deserted him, Hernando had decided to go westward and seek his fortune over the seas. A new expedition had lately been organized and many were joining, and as the boy sat there he recalled Inez, and wondered what her thoughts would be when she knew that he had gone to the mysterious world beyond the Atlantic, where so many had already gone, only to die in its unknown wilds. Time passed and, lost in his reverie, Hernando had fallen asleep. For some hours he slumbered, his head resting on his arm against the stone sill.

It was very quiet and mild. Then, suddenly, from away out on the bay, came a loud, sharp report and the boy awoke, startled, and rubbing his eyes,peered out over the water. The moon, which, when he had dropped to sleep, was high in the heavens, had fallen low and was now hanging just over the horizon, a pale, yellow globe, nearly ready to drop into the sea. Out on the water, some way from land, a long row of great white objects floated. As yet they were too far away to be easily distinguishable, and Hernando, now wide awake, eagerly watched them as they made their way inland. Soon they began to grow clearer and the many white things took the form of three-cornered sails and, beneath the sails, appeared the long, slim hulls of vessels. He could now make out the forms of men on their decks. Other people on the street had seen them too, for the noise of opening shutters and pattering feet became audible.

Suddenly, from the black side of the leading ship a livid red flame flashed, followed by another loud report and a roll of white smoke which hung low over the water. Every one was stirring now, the streets began to be filled with half-dressed men and women, vainly inquiring the cause of the excitement. Another crash, followed by another and yet another, broke the still, early morning air, and Hernando heard the fall of stones farther down, mingled with cries of women and children.

The boy pulled his sword from its scabbard, and drawing his cloak around him, rushed down the stairs and out into the street. All was confusion. Screams and cries of "The Africans! The Africans! The scourge of the sea is upon us," filled the air. The shots from the bay became thicker. The cries of frenzied men and women, mingled with the fall of timbers and stones, overturned by the leaden balls from the vessels, made an indescribable din. In a few moments, what had been a scene of peace and calm, was transformed into a boiling, seething hell of terrified human beings, ruthlessly trampling each other under foot in their heedless quest of safety.

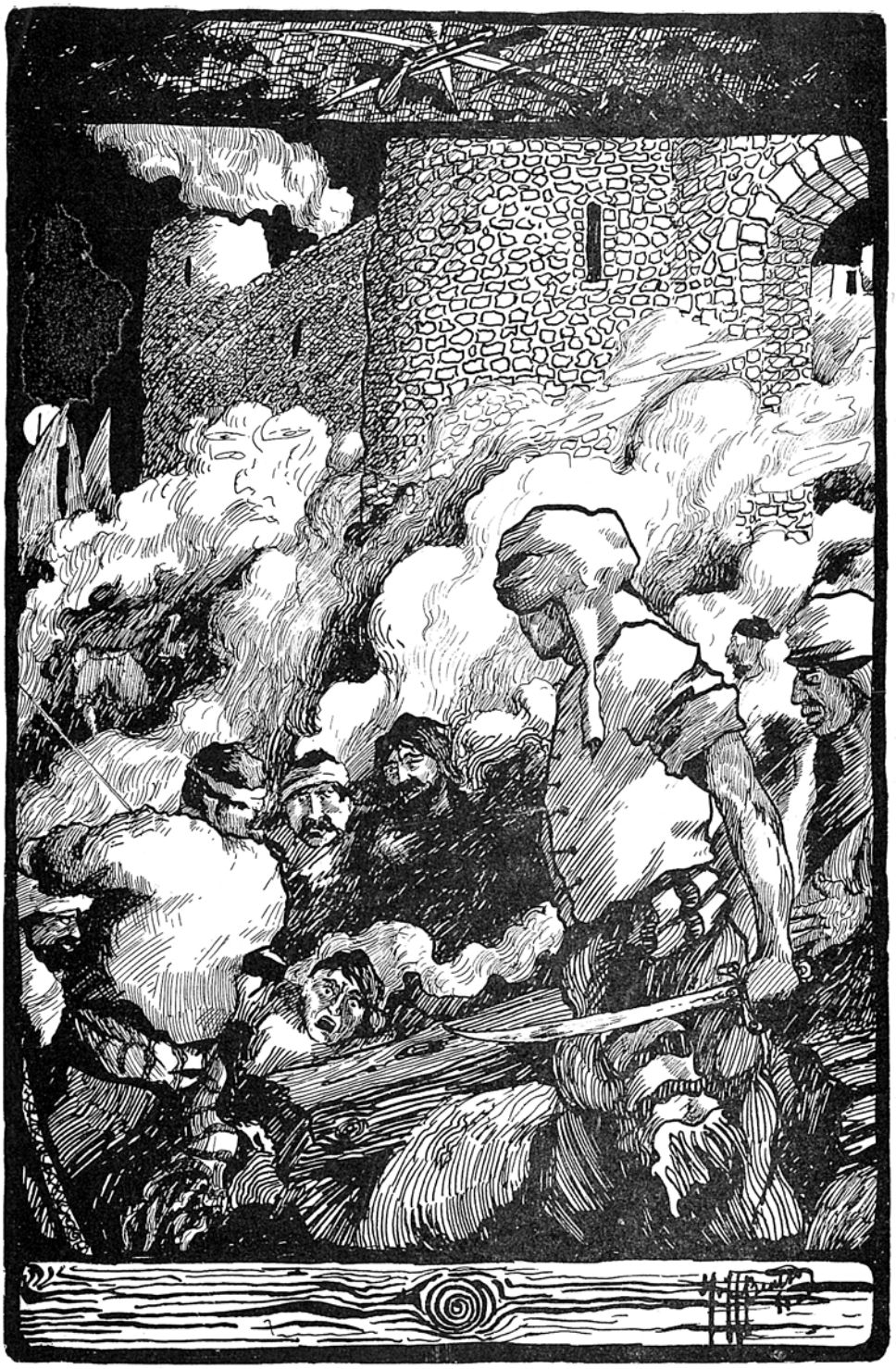
As always happens in cases of this kind, when the fiends of war and

bloodshed are unchained, fires began to break out, and, guided by the brilliant light of a burning frame farther down the street, Hernando overtook a group of men making their way to the large gate opening on the sea, which would most likely be the point of the first attack, as the walls of the town were high and extended some way back into the country. Here they found others, all armed, busy in barricading the opening, for a shot from one of the vessels had completely demolished the gate.

The barbarians had just landed and were beginning to form before advancing to the attack. Hernando and those with him lent a willing hand to the work of defense and succeeded in dragging two old cannon, used as an ornament near the market place, up in front of the gateway. They were loaded to the muzzle with slugs of iron and lead; two men were stationed by them with lighted torches and given orders to fire the fuses only when the barricade should be completely lost. All but these two, with more recruits, hastened to the front, and stationed themselves on the timbers and stones which formed the defense, sword and gun in hand. They were not a second too soon, for the Africans were advancing on a run up the white beach, with their vessels behind them again opening fire and working havoc inside the walls.

Their fierce, dark eyes made more ferocious by the firelight shining through the haze of smoke, their swarthy faces streaked with sweat and distorted by the excitment of battle, the pirates rushed upon the defenders and the struggle was on. The din was terrific. The incessant crack of pistols was mingled with the heavier report of cannon on the bay, and the clash of steel as Spaniard and African barbarian struggled for every inch of the barricade. Adding to the ghastliness of the scene, women and children, in the background, were hysterically screaming and crying and occasionlly one would fall stricken by a glancing bullet. The smoke grew thicker, and Hernando, well in the front of the fight, his sword flashing to and fro, could scarcely see his opponent, a tall, black-bearded, fierce-eyed barbarian, who was pressing him desperately. Suddenly the boy was knocked flat, felled by a shot from one of the boats, and his huge adversary rushed by him and up over the barricade, dealing fearful blows on all sides with his bloody cimetar, literally carving the way forward, while his countrymen rushed in behind and followed up the advantage with yells of triumph. The barricade was won in an instant. Hernando, who had succeeded in rising, was borne inward by the flood, thrusting and striking with all his strength. His fellow-townsmen had rushed to the women and children, trying to make them retreat to a place of greater safety, but the poor creatures were too terrified to move and the Africans were upon them in a second.

Hernando was performing prodigies of valor; he seemed endowed with superhuman strength, for his sword carried death wherever it thrust, and his townsmen, trying to protect the helpless ones, turned to gaze at him with admiration as he stood in the midst of the enemy, his blade flashing back and forth like lightning on a stormy night, carrying destruction at every flash. But Hernando's valor alone could not save the town. Just at this instant, when all hope seemed lost, the spark in the fuses of the two cannons in the background, which



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the men stationed there had fired as the barricade fell, reached the touch-hole and a terrific crash broke in upon the already deafening din. The slugs of iron and steel did their work, and under the long, rolling blanket of white smoke, lay a mass of mangled and torn bodies. Added to the stubborn defense at the gate, this was too much, and the Africans, intent on attacking a larger town farther up the coast and fearing to lose more men, grasped the women or children nearest them and rushed backward toward the gate, dragging their screaming captives along. Hernando, who had just escaped the fire of the cannon, followed by a Jew whose loved ones were being carried away, rushed out of the gate to the rescue.

The barbarians, who were here reinforced by others from the boats, dashed forward and drove back the Spaniards, who, completely disheartened. gave up all hope of recovering the captives. But their leader was as yet unconquered, and despite the entreaties of his neighbors and comrades, he plunged alone after the pirates who were now far down the beach. What cared he for life ? Inez no longer loved him, and how can man die better than facing death in defense of his friends ? So thought Hernando, and, giving one last glance at his countrymen, who were wildly beckoning him to return, he rushed towards the Africans leading the captives into their smaller boat. It was the act of a madman.

A huge, swarthy pirate, who had not engaged in the struggle, stepped forward to meet him. The dark, sinister face was set off by the turban, the folds of which fell over his shoulders. He was naked to the waist and the massive rolls of muscle on his hairy chest and arms writhed as if alive under the tight skin. Hernando was well nigh exhausted from exertion and loss of blood, and the thrust he made was weak and easily knocked aside by the short knife which the pirate carried in his left hand. Several Spaniards at the gate sprang forward, intending to rescue the boy who had done so much to save the town. Too late! The African closed with him and struck him down with his huge fist, thrust straight from the shoulder, and grasping his collar he dragged the unconscious Hernando over the side of one of the smaller boats just shoving off.

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The skies in the east turned from gray to pink, then to a brilliant red, and the sun rose in a blaze of fire out of the sea. Throngs of people gathered about the gate, where but a little while before, the battle had raged fiercely, gazing at the dead and hunting for their missing friends among the mass of mangled bodies. The dark barbarians, bathed in blood, lay where their fellows had left them. A few were found still living, the rest were carried to a deep trench, dug for the purpose, and buried. Few Spaniards had met their death, though all who had been engaged were more or less seriously wounded, and the Africans had succeeded in carrying off even fewer. It was a great victory for the town and the heroes who had helped save it were idolized.

But sorrow, too, was mingled with the rejoicing, for the greatest hero, the bravest hero, Hernando, was gone. His name was in every mouth. The people

delighted in telling each other stories of his prowess and courage, and those who had seen him in the battle declared that such fighting had never been seen before.

All mourned his loss, but most of all Inez, who now discovered how much she had loved him. For many weeks she sat in her darkened room, sad, hopeless, and, when at last she left the twilight of the house, it was to sit each day for hours on the old balcony dreaming of the dear evenings when she had heard her lover's voice in the sweet love songs of Spain. Years went by and still through the long lonely days and the longer hours of the silent nights she gave herself up to thoughts of the past, hoping with ever lessening courage that in some good day her lover might return. Thus, living in tender memories of the past, dreaming always dreaming, of his coming, her life stretched on until one summer evening the soft black eyes gently closed upon the world and the sad heart was still.

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Far across the Mediterranean, in one of the rice fields of Tripoli, an old man, white-haired, bent with years of toil, his naked back deep-scarred with the lash, sank exhausted to the ground. He gazed at the others toiling in the blistering sun. Some were old, like him, others young, but all bore the stripes of the whip, all were spiritless, despondent.

These toilers were Christians whom the Barbary pirates had stolen from their homes and sold. The old man had spent many years in this field, toiling continually. He had seen young men grow old in a few months; he had seen old men too weary and weak to labor more, killed by the cruel arm of the swarthy taskmaster. A sort of dizziness overcame him as he sat there, and he knew that his time was come, for his strength had failed and the barbarian had no pity. In his youth, when just stolen from his native land, he had fought with them, but the whip soon did its work and his spirit was gone.

He heard a command and, turning round, saw the giant overseer coming toward him, the long black whip swinging in his hand and snapping viciously. He tried to rise, his hoe dropped from his hand and he sank back and looked in the face of the African. No pity there. The lash came down with all the strength of a strong arm behind it, wrapping itself in coils around the old body which once more tried to rise and then dropped limp on the ground. Again and again the terrible whip descended. The other toilers looked up for a second and then went back to their work; they had seen this same thing time after time; they were hardened to it, and it moved them not.

That night the full, red, Southern moon rose over the trees in the east, throwing its soft light on the fields where the little shoots of rice rose out of the shallow water. The night was calm and beautiful and the stars shone with unusual brilliancy. All was still. In the shadow of a cluster of palms on the edge of a field a group of wolf-like animals prowled. Their fore feet were high and their noses long and pointed. On their light fur coats were darker stripes running up and down—hyenas. They were snuffing and growling over the body of an old, white-headed man—over the body of Hernando.

Western

I.

WE'RE full of vim and pep and grit,
We have not seen our equal yet;
We're waiting for the chance, you bet,
To prove it, Rah! Rah!
O! Western life is the life I say,
We live our best at the W. M. A.
Our teams are ready on any day
To fight for Western.

Chorus

Western, Western, yes we are at the head,
Sons of the Blue and Red,
By victory always led;
Western, Western, let it again be said that
We are bound to win for Western.

II.

No brighter colors float o'er head;
There never will be a cause for dread
When we play under the Blue and Red of
Western, Rah! Rah!
Our colors bright, ever wave the same,
Through winter's blast or sun or rain,
There's bound to be victory in the name
Of dear Old Western.

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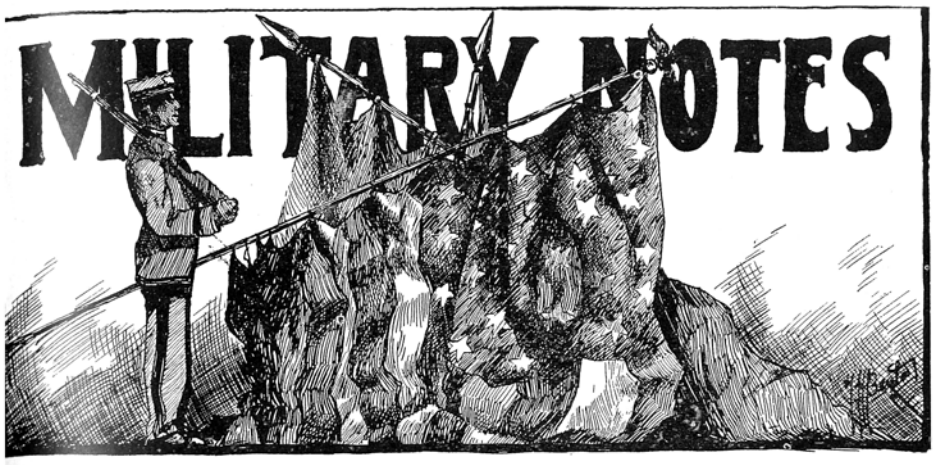
THE REVEILLE is truly a handsome magazine and one that deserves high commendation. It is nicely illustrated, has clear and humorous cuts, the stories are interesting, and the general make-up quite attractive. This magazine is issued quarterly, and in that way has some advantage, but, nevertheless, the boys of the Western Military Academy deserve much praise for the magazine they turn out.—*Penn Charter.*

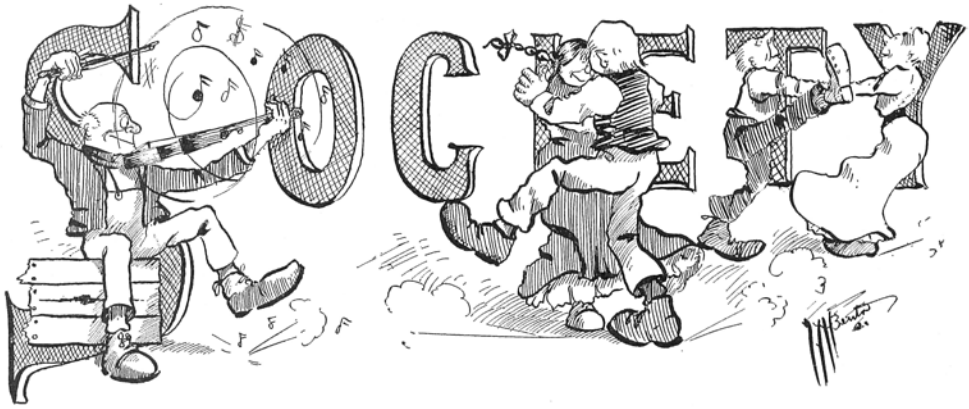
THE REVEILLE, published by the cadets of the Western Military Academy, is by far the best exchange on our list. In fact, there is nowhere room for criticism. The quality, cuts, material and arrangement are splendid—*Chillicothe Observer.*

We are glad to find THE REVEILLE again on our table. It only comes quarterly and is always a welcome visitor. We consider it one of our best exchanges. The stories and poems in this issue are of especial merit.—*College Greetings.*

THE REVEILLE is one of our largest exchanges and is very good. The story of "The Ancestor" is very interesting and is well told.—*Capitoline.*

THE REVEILLE appears to have in Mr. T. H. Benton what we have found in our Fred Weld. When it comes to art we congratulate THE REVEILLE as well as ourselves in having found professional quality in amateur ranks. If the editor gets inspired at 12 o'clock at night he can call up 892 at seven the next morning, and have a cover or whatever might be wanted by noon. THE





EXCHANGE.

PEDRO RODRIGUEZ IS RACING CAR DRIVER

Pedro Rodriguez, who attended Western in 55-56 and 56-57, along with his brother, Ricardo, are two of the great racing car drivers of the world today.

"Sports Illustrated" recently told of their exploits in the 12-hour endurance races at Sebring, Fla., and called them "go-go-go boys" from Mexico. Driving Ferrari cars, the Rodriguez brothers dominated the early phases of the race until engine trouble forced them out. They took over another Ferrari, but the engine of that blew two hours before the race ended. Two other Ferrari cars went on to win anyhow.

PEDRO RODRIGUEZ, FORMER CADET, TOP AUTO RACING DRIVER

An article by Frank M. Blunk in the New York Times states that Pedro Rodriguez of Mexico City, Mexico, is in the front rank of the world's best racing car drivers. Pedro was a cadet here for two years, 1955-57.

Rodriguez on January 2 drove a Cooper-Maserati to victory in the South African Grand Prix at Johannesburg.

He and his brother, Ricardo, competed for the Mexican Grand Prix before they were old enough to drive on public roads. Ricardo was killed in a practice run four years ago.

Rodriguez and Phil Hill, his partner, won the 1964 Daytona, Fla., Continental. He has driven racing cars and sports cars all over the world and has won many contests, including the Continental in 1963 by himself.

On February 4, he and Jean Guichet, current French driving champion, will compete as partners again in the Daytona Continental. They will use a 12-cylinder Italian Ferrari P4.

Rodriguez is now 27 years old.

Mexican Mayor, Former Cadet, Visits Western

Last Friday the mayor of Mexico's second largest city stopped in Alton to visit Western where he was a cadet in 1945. Eduardo Avina Batiz, mayor of Guadalajara, called on Col. Jackson. He remembered well his room in the barracks and incidents of his cadet days.

Mayor Batiz stated that Guadalajara has grown from over 700,000 in 1960 to 1,100,000 in 1965. He and Col. Jackson visited the Alton Evening Telegraph, where the mayor was interviewed by a reporter.

He stated, "Our city is growing even faster than we want it to. This creates many problems in controlling traffic, water supply, and jobs, but the living conditions of our people are improving daily."

The mayor said that much of the old, easygoing, fun-loving, tapatio atmosphere of the city is vanishing. Some old customs are dying. Many new modern structures are appearing around the old colonial buildings. However, the original beauty of the city is being preserved. Guadalajara now has natural gas, but the temperature seldom drops below 50 in winter or climbs above 85 in summer.

Mayor Batiz said that reputable American business enterprises are encouraged in his city. He came to the U.S. to attend an inter-American conference of mayors and bankers in Washington. He started his career as an attorney and later entered politics. He became mayor of Guadalajara in 1965.

PEDRO RODRIGUEZ THIRD AT DAYTONA

By Ted Reisinger

In the last issue of this paper, it was mentioned that Pedro Rodriguez, a cadet here in 1955-57, had won the South African Grand Prix in auto racing.

On February 6, he and his French partner, Jean Guichet, drove a rebuilt 1966 Ferrari P-4 in the 24-hour Daytona Continental. He had some mechanical trouble, but he managed to come back and win third place with 637 daps and $3,900 in prize money. He will be driving a Ferrari in the 24-hour Le Mans and the 12-hour Sebring races this year. He is considered one of the world's top racing drivers.

Mexican Dance Is A Big Success

By Haddad, J.

Last Saturday night the first Mexican dance in the history of Western was held in the lower gym. This dance was given by the Mexican cadets for the American cadets who are taking Spanish.

Although only half the gym was used for the dance, the Mexican cadets did a wonderful job of decorating. They are to be congratulated for their fine work.

The main part of the decorations was the green, white, and red Mexican National Flag, which hung gracefully from one of the walls. Below the flag were some colored letters made of crepe paper, which proclaimed the word "Mexico" in a cunning line. In representation of the hand-made articles of Mexico were several colored sarapes (blankets). Hanging in their proper place, they added much color to the already gay decorations. In representation of the bullfighting in Latin-America, the cadets hung on the wall colorful banderillas and bull horns, which glittered under the lights. The lights were adorned with green, white, and red streamers.

The dance started promptly at 8:00 P. M. Mrs. Green introduced the cadets to their dates, who came from Monticello Girls' College, Alton, and other near-by towns. The music was by records, with a large selection of both Latin-American and American songs. The girls added more beauty to the dance with their gay skirts and sweaters, while the Mexican cadets, in white shirts and pants, and the American cadets in blue coats, looked very handsome. After dancing for an hour, Capt. Auchard announced that a special show was to be presented on the stage. Cadet Haase announced the numbers on the program. The first number was a song, entitled "El Rancho Grande", by Cadets Lobeira, Gomez, Gonzalez, A., and Garcia. Trespalacios and Reyes then danced the "Mambo". The third number was the song, "Cu-Eu-RRU-Cu-Eu-Paloma", beautifully sung by Mrs. Auchard. The song, "La Rondaya", was then sung by Trespalacios, Lobeira, Gonzalez, A., Garcia, and Gomez. The program ended with the National dance of Mexico, "El Jarabe Tajatio", which was done beautifully by Mrs. Auchard and Cadet Vallina. More fun was had when the cadets broke the pinata which was hanging from the ceiling. After that, Mrs. Green and

Cadets See Robert Wadlow, World's Tallest Man, Here

Western cadets were greatly interested in the visit of Robert Wadlow, Alton's most famous citizen, to the school last Monday. He was the guest of Col. Jackson at lunch, and when he entered the mess-hall, all eyes were upon him.

Wadlow is the tallest man ever known to medical science. Though only 20 years of age, he is 8 ft., 9 in. tall and weighs 465 pounds. He has recently returned from a tour of the West. He is a graduate of Alton High School and attended Shurtleff College.

Wadlow is aiding in the drive to collect funds for a new organ at the Methodist Church of Upper Alton, of which he is a member. He consented to pose for all kinds of pictures. Col. Jackson is to donate the paper and Capt. Williams the printing. Whatever is realized from the sale of these pictures will go entirely to the church organ fund.

Wadlow proved to be very gracious and friendly. He towered above the group of admiring cadets, who always surrounded him. He posed with groups in front of the various barracks, with the color guard, with Capt. Doan and the smallest cadet, Gottfried, with Maj. Henderson, with one of the horses, and with a rifle in his hands. He was so good-natured about it that all cadets hope he realizes a big sum for the pipe organ.

Cadets can say truthfully that they have seen the tallest man in the world upon their own campus and have dined with him in the mess-hall.

LT. COL. DOAN, FORMER MILITARY HEAD, LEADS YANKS INTO COLOGNE

According to daily papers, the Yanks are storming into the German city of Cologne. The first column to enter the city limits was a task force of armor and infantry, commanded by Lieut. Col. L. L. Doan of Houston, Texas.

Col. Doan was P. M. S. and T. at Western from 1935-36 to 1939-40. A graduate of West Point, he was at that time a Lieutenant. He was a cavalryman and was on the U. S. Olympic Riding Team. Col. Doan was very popular here. Under his direction, the cadet corps made the Honor List every year at Government Inspection, and he also developed horsemanship to the highest degree ever known at the school.

This rugged, rough-riding officer is now leading Yank armor against the Germans.

Col. L. L. Doan, Who Led Tank Unit, Is Visitor At School

A welcome visitor to Western on August 4 was Col. L. L. Doan, who commanded a 43rd tank regiment in the 3rd Armored Division from the time it landed in France to the surrender of Germany. He was back in the States on a 30-day leave and was on his way to visit his family in Texas.

Col. Doan, then a Lieutenant not long out of West Point, was P. M. S. and T. at Western from the fall of '35 to the spring of '40. He was one of the most popular and efficient Army officers ever detailed here. Military training reached a high peak under him, and, being a former Olympic riding star, he developed horsemanship at Western.

Col. Doan and the 3rd Armored Division had a spectacular career in Europe. They were first in so many actions that a book was issued about them entitled, "Call Me Spearhead." Col. Doan led the first U. S. troops into Cologne. The division was first to cross the German border. Col. Doan's unit was the first to breach the Siegfried Line. The famous division kept up its irresistable exploits until Germany surrendered.

Col. Doan was looking fine—a typical, seasoned, rugged officer, showing few traces of his experiences in Europe, other than the decorative ribbons he was wearing. Those who heard his accounts of epic experiences got a new and vivid picture of the war.

Monday, October 24, 1938 The smallest cadet Gottfried, Captain Doan and Robert Wadlow.

Robert Wadlow visited Western's campus to have lunch with Col. Ralph L. Jackson. Though only 20 years old, Wadlow was 8'9" tall and weighed 465 pounds.

Joe E. Brown Visits Western Tuesday; Famous Actor Wins Cadets With Speech Full Of Wise Counsel And Rare Humor

By Lee Douglas

Tuesday afternoon the cadets were thrilled by the appearance at Western of one of the most outstanding comedians and actors of the present day and one of the principal entertainers of men overseas during the recent war, Joe E. Brown. He has been starring in the smash hit, "Harvey", for three weeks in St. Louis.

About ten days ago Joe E. Brown 'phoned Col. Moore, commandant, and expressed a desire to visit Western. Brown was closely associated with Gen. E. B. Sebree on Guadalcanal, former P. M. S. and T. here, who told him of Col. Moore and Western and asked him to call up when in this section. Col. Moore drove to St. Louis to bring him to the campus.

Joe Reviews Battalion

The battalion first passed in review in the drill hall before Mr. Brown, and then moved down to seats in the field house. Col. Jackson introduced the famous actor, mentioning his service to men overseas and calling him a "great American citizen with a heart as big as the world". Joe took the platform amid the thunderous applause of cadets and faculty, who occupied every seat.

Joe expressed his pleasure at being able to speak before the corps. He modestly said the value of his service overseas had been overestimated. He then gave some of his philosophy. "There is nothing wrong with the world," he declared. "It's the people who are in it that cause our troubles by failing to accept their responsibilities. And that goes for many of the little men, too, who are in minor positions."

"Look On The Bright Side"

One of the main points to remember is not to be hypocritical, he stated, but practice what you preach. In the words of

Dizzy Dean Visits School And Talks To Western Corps

The Great Hurler Proves To Be Very Interesting And Boys Like Him

Dizzy Dean, famous St. Louis Cardinal pitcher, visited Western last Wednesday evening, making the trip here with Mr. Russell Meyers of St. Louis. They had dinner with Col. Jackson and the W. M. A. coaching staff. Then "Ole Diz" spoke to the cadets on the bleachers about the fine points of baseball.

He soon made himself at home with the boys and demonstrated how he held the ball when he was pitching. He then discussed batting. Cadets were allowed to ask questions and Dizzy Dean gave some interesting information. He said the batter who gave him the most trouble was Paul Waner. He declared Joe Medwick to be the greatest hitter in the game today. He said the Yanks would win the American League pennant and the Browns would finish last.

Praises Hubbell

One cadet asked: "Mr. Dean, who is the greatest pitcher in baseball today besides yourself?" Dizzy grinned and replied: "Well, I believe in giving every fellow his due. You can talk about Christy Matthewsons and Walter Johnsons, but I believe the greatest pitcher of all time is Carl Hubbell. The lively ball used today is a jackrabbit. Why, you can bunt it over third base for a single. And when a man like Hubbell can pitch as he does with that lively ball, I'm ready to call him the greatest pitcher of all time."

The cadets applauded this sportsmanlike statement.

His Hardest Game

Diz said he thought Bob Feller, 18-year-old Cleveland pitcher, had probably injured himself permanently. "He wasn't handled right and has never learned to pitch without straining

Tommy Dorsey And Party Pay Surprise Visit To Western

Cadets Are Charmed By Music Of Peerless Leader And His Company

The afternoon of October 3 was a red-letter day on Western's calendar. The nationally famous orchestra leader, Tommy Dorsey, visited the school, bringing with him his pianist, the Pied Pipers, and his vocalist, Frank Sinatra. Cadets were dismissed from class in order to hear this surprise program.

The famous trombone slid into its master's theme song, "I'm Getting Sentimental Over You." Even with only the piano accompaniment, the mellow notes were easily recognized as those of the top trombonist of the country. Frank Sinatra gave a romantic vocal interpretation of "Only Forever," and repeated this number by request at the end of the program.

The Pied Pipers

The Pied Pipers, including a very pretty girl, sang "I'll Never Smile Again," with beautiful effects added by Frank Sinatra, the pianist, and Tommy Dorsey's trombone. Then by request they sang "Marie," "Maybe," and "What Can I Do, Dear, After I Say I'm Sorry." As a closing number, the Pipers and Sinatra sang "The One You Love Won't Love Back."

The music was unbelievably smooth and lovely. Tommy Dorsey can make his trombone speak in tones soft and sweet. The rhythm of the dance numbers caused leg muscles to twitch in sympathy. There was music that the cadets loved, as their waves of applause testified.

Tommy Dorsey's orchestra was filling a week's engagement at the St. Louis Horse Show, where they were a great hit. They had made the rounds of a few private schools in St. Louis. Although Alton is a good 45-minute drive away, Dorsey and his group consented to include W

Vaughan Monroe And Famous Band Here On March 11

To Play For Mammoth Dance In Field House; Students From Colleges To Be Present

By Whit King

Another great treat is in store for cadets who enjoy dancing to the good music of famous name bands.

Col. Jackson announced last week that Vaughan Monroe and his band will play for a dance here on Saturday night, March 11.

Monroe and his band are headliners in the music world of today. They will first present a program sponsored by the "Camels" at Monticello College, and it will be broadcast on a nation-wide network. This program will be followed by a concert. Only a selected group of "sponsors" can attend the radio program and the concert.

Both Floors To Be Used

In the evening Vaughan Monroe and his orchestra will play for a dance at Western. Since over a thousand people are expected, both the upper and lower gyms will be used with loud speakers to carry the music.

The dance has been opened to the fraternity row of Washington University of St. Louis, Shurtleff College in Alton, and Monticello College in Godfrey. Of course, Western cadets can also attend. Invitations will be left up to the cadets themselves. Couples and dates are expected from all over the country. A charge of two dollars per couple will be made. Punch and cookies will be served as refreshments, and decorations will be in charge of the Senior Dance Committee. An excellent movie will be shown for the cadets who do not wish to attend.

This dance with Vaughan Monroe and his band will be one of the top social events of the entire year.

Vaughn Monroe And Band Measure Up To Expectations

He And Talented Artists Give Memorable Evening Of Entertainment At Western

By Walling and King

Last Saturday night in the field house and drill hall combined, one of the nation's foremost band leaders, Vaughn Monroe, and his orchestra appeared before a throng of over 1500 people. Monroe was in St. Louis for the premier of his new motion picture. At 6:30 Saturday he and the band broadcast their weekly "Camel Caravan" show over a nation-wide hookup from the Monticello College chapel. Monroe's appearance was made possible through the sponsorship of Monticello and several Alton groups. Western cooperated in every way.

Vaughn Takes Over

Dancing at Western began at 9:30 in the gaily decorated field house and gym. Vaughn Monroe and several of his stars did not arrive for an hour, as they first had to appear at the Fox Theater in St. Louis. When they did arrive, things really clicked.

Vaughn Monroe took over on the stage with his opening vocal, "There's No Tomorrow". During the evening he followed with many of his recent song hits, such as "Bamboo", "Tangerine", "Riders in the Sky", "Cool Water", and "Mule Train". His style was all his own and charmed his many enthusiastic fans. Most of the crowd forgot to dance. They just stood and sat to listen and enjoy.

Star Supporting Artists

In addition, Monroe had a group of star entertainers good enough for any show—the lovely Moonmaids, the Moonmen, Wally Olsen, John West, Nace Bernert, and Bill Mustard. The artists included a clever young harmonica player and a fine comedian

Notes On Vaughn Monroe's Visit

The visit of Vaughn Monroe and his band would be an event at any school. Though his appearance was sponsored in Alton by Monticello College, about 180 cadets attended the dance. The crowd in the field house and drill hall numbered well over 1,500.

The decorating committee had both halls looking very attractive. The green and white streamers in the field house, the disks on the walls with famous Monroe decordings, the flags and bunting in the drill hall—all made a fitting setting for a delightful evening. Mrs. Gould deserves much credit for supervising the decorations.

Western contributed greatly to the success of the event. In addition to furnishing the two halls, the Academy sold tickets, provided most of the work for the decorations, served the refreshments, staffed the cloak room, etc.

The visit of Vaughn Monroe and his artists could be classed as an entertainment more than a dance. His music was excellent for dancing, but two-thirds of the crowd pressed toward the stage, content to watch and hear Vaughn. Furthermore, he is not afraid to surround himself with top talent. His singers, his two quartets (one of men and one of girls), his soloists, his special entertainers could put on a show of the highest caliber. At times many people danced, but mostly they stood or sat—watching, admiring, listening, and enjoying every minute.

Vaughn Monroe looked somewhat tired. Tall, loose-jointed, with an easy graceful stance, and a whimsical smile, he dominated his group and led them with little effort. He seemed kindly and eager to please. He often whistled as he directed. Yet, beneath his smile and his gay mask, one could detect weariness. But he never spared himself. And his voice had the full, resonant quality that has won him fame.

And why shouldnt' he be tired? It was the end of a busy week. He had appeared at the opening of his new movie in St. Louis. He dashed up to Monticello for the 6:30 broadcast and a short concert. Then back to St. Louis for a personal appearance at 9:00. Another dash back to Western to play for the dance till 1:30.

One orchestra member spoke of the strenuous life of a popular name band. Vaughn Monroe's band was due to jump to Peoria Sunday. Then to Ft. Wayne, Indiana, on Monday. (Ice and sleet on the roads). After another full week of appearances, he and the orchestra will broadcast from Notre Dame University next Saturday night.

Photographers from "Prom" and other photographers took many pictures of Monroe and his other stars with cadets and Monticello girls. Vaughn and his associates graciously posed for the pictures.

A director is really essential to a band. He is not just a figure-head. The band played for nearly an hour before Vaughn could return from St. Louis. The performance was just good average dance music. But when Vaughn and his featured artists stepped upon the stage amid applause, the orchestra crystalized into a star organization. Under the spell of Monroe's deft fingers, the musicians began to play with smoothness and harmony. They were 100 per cent better.

At first the field house was cold, until Capts. Green and Bowman went down personally to punch the furnace fire. Then there was plenty of heat.

ALTON, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1948

GENERAL WAINWRIGHT

General Wainwright An Honored Guest At Commencement

Will Make Address Before Class Of 1948; Traditional Ceremonies On Final Day

Monday morning, May 31, eighty-six Seniors, one of the largest classes in Western's history, will graduate. The occasion will be especially outstanding, for General Jonathan M. Wainwright, the hero of Corregidor, will deliver the commencement address. He will present the diplomas to the graduates.

Distinguished Record

General Wainwright will always be associated with the gallant defense of the Philippines at the start of World War II. He was in command of U. S. and Philippine troops, who made an inspiring stand against hopeless odds for six months before being compelled to surrender. Western men served under him—such men as Capt.

General Wainwright Accepts Invitation To Address Seniors

Hero Of The Defense Of The Philippine Islands Will Be Speaker At Commencement

By Rivera

The commencement of 1948 will be outstanding, for Col. Jackson recently announced that the speaker will be General Jonathan Wainwright, one of the great heroes of World War II, ranking along with General Eisenhower and General MacArthur.

General Wainwright is well acquainted with Col. Walter F. Siegmund of the Western Cartridge Company of East Alton, who is a good friend of Col. Jackson. Through that contact General Wainwright was invited to deliver the commencement address and he accepted.

General Wainwright will always be associated with the gallant and hopeless defense of the Philippines at the start of the war. He was in command of U. S. and Philippine troops after General MacArthur escaped from Corregidor to Australia.

Imprisoned Three Years

He surrendered with his men only after a brave and inspiring defense against hopeless odds for six months. Although not a member of Bataan's Death March, he was imprisoned by the Japanese and suffered many cruel indignities. His captivity lasted three years from May 6, 1942, to January 9, 1945.

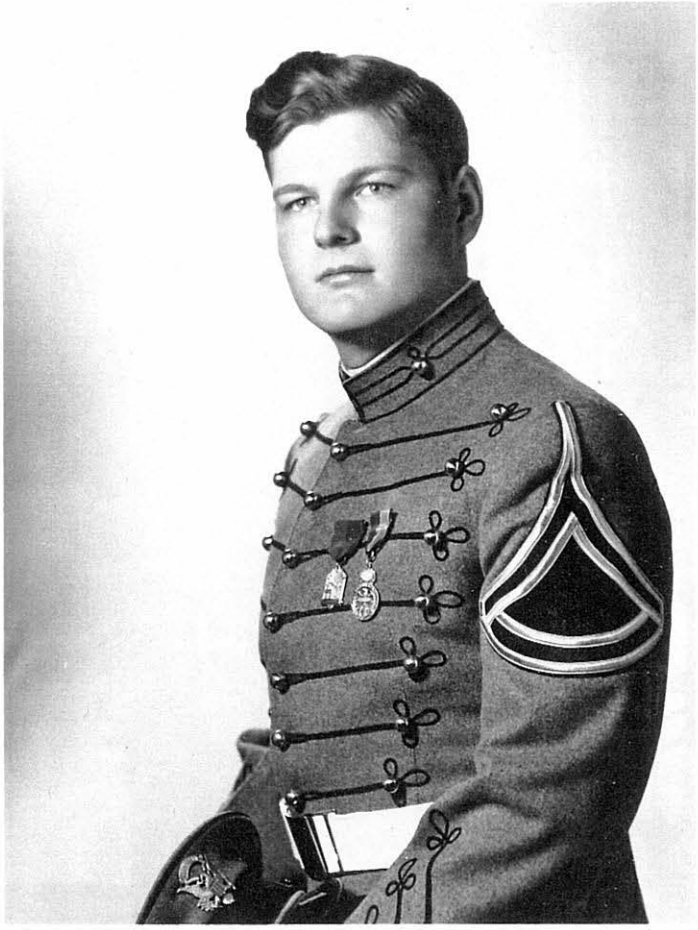
General Wainwright has written many articles about his defense of the Philippines and his imprisonment by the Japanese. He will be one of the most distinguished visitors ever to appear at Western, and his speech to the seniors will make commencement an occasion that they will never forget.

CAPT. ROBERT FOSTER
MAJOR GENERAL
HARRY COLLINS

The Western Military Academy

Alton Illinois

and this Cadet



pay homage to the honored guest and Commencement speaker

General Jonathan M. Wainwright, U.S.A.

HERO OF BATAAN

who on May 30, 1948 reviewed the Corps of Cadets, presented the senior diplomas, and in his inimitable manner gave to all a living example of the highest expression of the American military spirit. . .

LT. COMMANDER
EDWARD O'HARE '32

'48 - '49 - '50 - '51

Commencements Come and Go...

For the class of 1948, Western Military Academy's "69", the climax of the Senior year came as

General Jonathan M. Wainwright

HERO OF BATAAN

addressed the corps and presented the diplomas

As the years roll by, you will place many pictures in your hall of memories. This collection of photographs taken during the commencement program of Western Military's 69th Senior class will help you to recapture easily the solemnity and enthusiasm of your cadet experiences

O Western, we sing to you
O Western, the red and blue
Now we pledge our loyalty
Ever staunch and true.....

MEMORY OF THE 1947 COMMENCEMENT

Cadet Capt. Oakleigh Adkins smiles as Col. Jackson presents the Eliot Katz saber for all-round leadership in the Senior Class. Cadet Maj. H. G. Baker, honor graduate and valedictorian, shows approval.

Eliot Katz, '44, Will Again Award Sabre At Commencement

Eliot Katz, '44, an official with the Superior Tanning Co., 1244 Division St., Chicago, Ill., is one loyal grad who has never forgotten Western. First, with his father, now deceased, and later by himself, he has presented a sabre at commencement to the outstanding cadet officer who has shown the most efficiency, loyalty, and service. This award has become one of the most coveted prizes that a cadet can win.

Eliot Katz writes that he will again offer this sabre at Western's 76th commencement.

Katz himself was typical of the cadets who have won this honor. He was small, but be was the best dropkicker on the football team. He won three varsity grid letters and the Dads Award for loyalty in 1943, when he was co-captain of the football team. His first love was baseball, in which sport he won three letters. He belonged to the "W" Club, the Thespians, and the "Recall" staff.

Eliot Katz is an alumnus of which Western is proud, and all cadets appreciate his continued interest in his old prep school. He is married and has several children. Nothing could be better at this 76th commencement than to have Eliot present "The Katz Sabre" in person.

ELLIOTT B. KATZ, '44, AGAIN PRESENTS SABRE

For the 19th consecutive year, Elliott B. Katz, '44, has continued the custom started by his father of presenting the highly prized "Katz Sabre" at commencement to an outstanding cadet officer. It was won this year by Cadet Capt. E. F. Byczynski of Chicago.

Katz now heads an insurance company and lives at 3293 Woodbine, Los Angeles 64, Calif.

Mr. Katz Will Again Present Sabre To Outstanding Senior

One of the awards at commencement is the "Eliot B. Katz Award", a handsome sabre presented to the "outstanding member of the graduating class".

It is given by Mr. William A. Katz, Chicago, in honor of his son, Eliot Katz, who graduated in 1944. Eliot was a letter man in both baseball and football. He was an expert dropkicker.

In sending the award this year, Mr. Katz wrote:

"When one has the privilege of attending your school and accepts its benefits and all that goes to make your institution outstanding, and then leaves without doing something as an expression of gratitude to his associations, it just does not seem to make sense.

"When Eliot presents this award to the outstanding member of the graduating class, it is with the thought in mind that not only has the cadet earned his 'W' in school, but is well on his way to earn his 'W' in life."

Mr. Katz said he hoped to establish a permanent fund for the award and that he or Eliot might be here at commencement.

ELLIOTT B. KATZ, '44, AGAIN PRESENTS SABRE

For the 20th consecutive year, Elliott B. Katz, '44, will again present one of the most coveted prizes at commencement, "The Katz Sabre", which will be awarded to the outstanding senior cadet officer. It has already been received and is beautifully engraved.

Mr. Katz, a loyal grad, is continuing a custom started by his father. Elliott Katz was a great little athlete and place-kicker at Western. He now heads an insurance company and lives at 3293 Woodbine, Los Angeles 64, Calif. He was formerly a Chicago resident.

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This award has continued now for 18 consecutive years.

Elliott Katz was a great little athlete at Western and is a loyal grad. He is now the head of an insurance company. He lives at 3293 Woodbine, Los Angeles 64, Calif.

Tom Hickey Given Chance To Recover From Car Accident

The cadets and faculty were greatly shocked by the serious automobile accident which happened to Cadet Tom Hickey, a popular member of the Senior Class, during furlough.

Tony Wilson of St. Louis, who was to spend the vacation with Tom, was driving to the Hickey home in Quincy, Ill. Near Louisiana, Mo., the car was wrecked. Wilson suffered bruises and shock, but Hickey was severely injured.

Hickey was taken to Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, where it was reported that he had suffered fractured vertebrae and other injuries. He was partly paralized, and at first it was thought he could not live. However, since an operation, it is reported that he has a good chance to survive.

His parents have been with him constantly in St. Louis. They report that many parents of cadets, fellow cadets, and faculty have called at the hospital. Mrs. Webb, Dr. Arnold, Col. Jackson, Col. Moore, Maj. Suhre, and many others have called. "I did not realize that people could be so nice," said Mrs. Hickey.

Everyone is pulling for Tom Hickey. He has hosts of friends in the cadet corps and faculty. His friendliness, his reliability, and his genial nature have won him an envied position at Western. He was active in senior class affairs, was in charge of the bugle band, and was a letter man on the wrestling team. He is a non-commissioned officer in the corps.

Tom Hickey Makes Progress Following Auto Accident

Cadet Tom Hickey, who was seriously injured in an auto accident during furlough, has been making some progress toward recovery at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. He still has a long way to go, but he has been gaining in strength. The final result of his injuries cannot yet be predicted.

Cadet Lightner saw Hickey Sunday and said he seemed much brighter and better. Tom said, "I'll be at commencement with the rest of the seniors if I have to come in a wheel chair." That shows the true fighting spirit.

Tom is still partly paralyzed, but some of the weights on his head have been removed.

Tom Hickey Amazes Hospital Doctors By His Recovery

Tom Hickey of Quincy, Ill., a member of the Class of '49, who came to receive his diploma in spite of a broken back suffered in an automobile accident, is making the fastest rehabilitation in medical records, according to the Chicago Herald-American.

Last year Tom left the hospital in a cast, was taken in a wheel chair by his classmates at commencement, and received his diploma at graduation. Papers all over the U. S. carried pictures of his brave effort.

After his accident while on furlough, Tom's life was despaired of, for his back and neck were broken.

At Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago Tom, though still paralyzed from the waist down, started a comeback. Using body braces and crutches, he can now get around, dress himself, and fasten his braces, get out of bed alone, and can be self-sufficient. He recently called a taxi and without help boarded a train and went to visit friends in Peru, Ill.

To do this Tom has had to follow an iron-man schedule of exercise, but the Chicago paper stated that he has done in one month what it usually takes persons with his sort of injury a year to accomplish. Tom still returns to Michael Reese Hospital for training. His progress is a testimony to his will-power and courage and has astonished medical authorities.

CADETS VISIT TOM HICKEY IN HOSPITAL

A group of cadets visited Tom Hickey in St. Louis last Saturday to cheer up the convalescing cadet at Barnes Hospital. Those who went found Tom looking much better. He is still weak from the automobile accident which took place a month ago. It is hoped that Tom will be able to come to Western for commencement to receive his diploma as a member of the graduating class.

Those who saw Tom said that he was in his usual good humor, never missing an opportunity to crack a joke or laugh at someone else's. He never stopped thanking those who had written him letters.

If anyone has a little spare time, and everyone must have some, why not drop Tom a line or two just to let him know what's going on around here. He gets more pleasure from reading "Shrapnels" and letters from his fellow cadets than anything else he does. Address your letters to: Tom Hickey, c/o Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri.

DEMPSEY VISITS TOM HICKEY IN HOSPITAL

Jack Dempsey while in St. Louis took time off to visit Cadet Tom Hickey with Mr. G. G. Bradford. Hickey is still at Barnes Hospital because of injuries received in an automobile accident. It was certainly a fine thing for Dempsey to do.

TOM HICKEY, '49, AN INVALID 17 YEARS, DIES AT QUINCY, ILL.

Thomas L. Hickey, Jr., Class '49, died at the age of 35 in Quincy, Ill. His home address was 1236 S. 20th Street, Quincy.

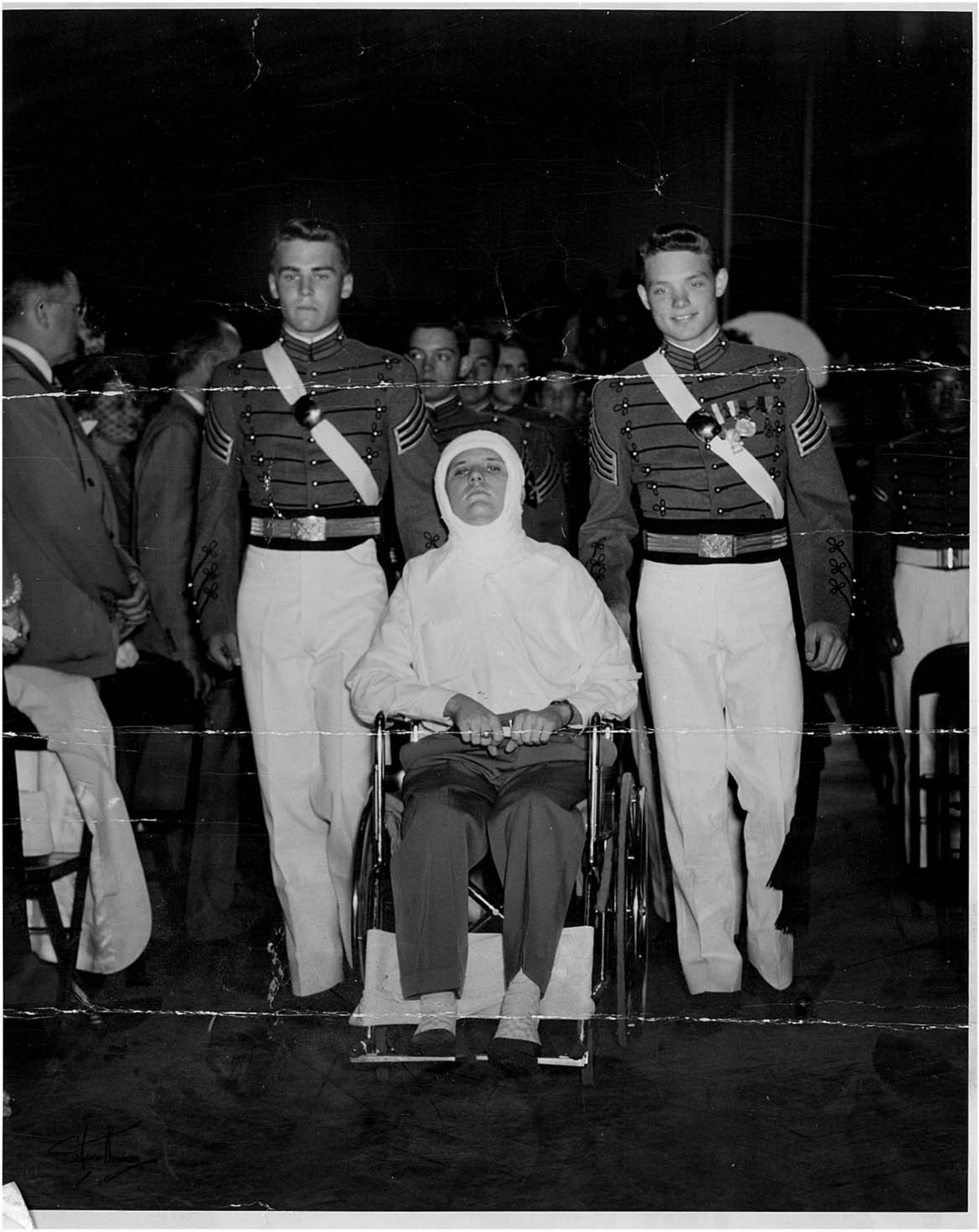
Tom Hickey was permanently injured in an automobile accident while going home on furlough in March, 1949. He was paralyzed from the chest down, and he has been bedfast for the past eight years, a total of 17 years as an invalid.

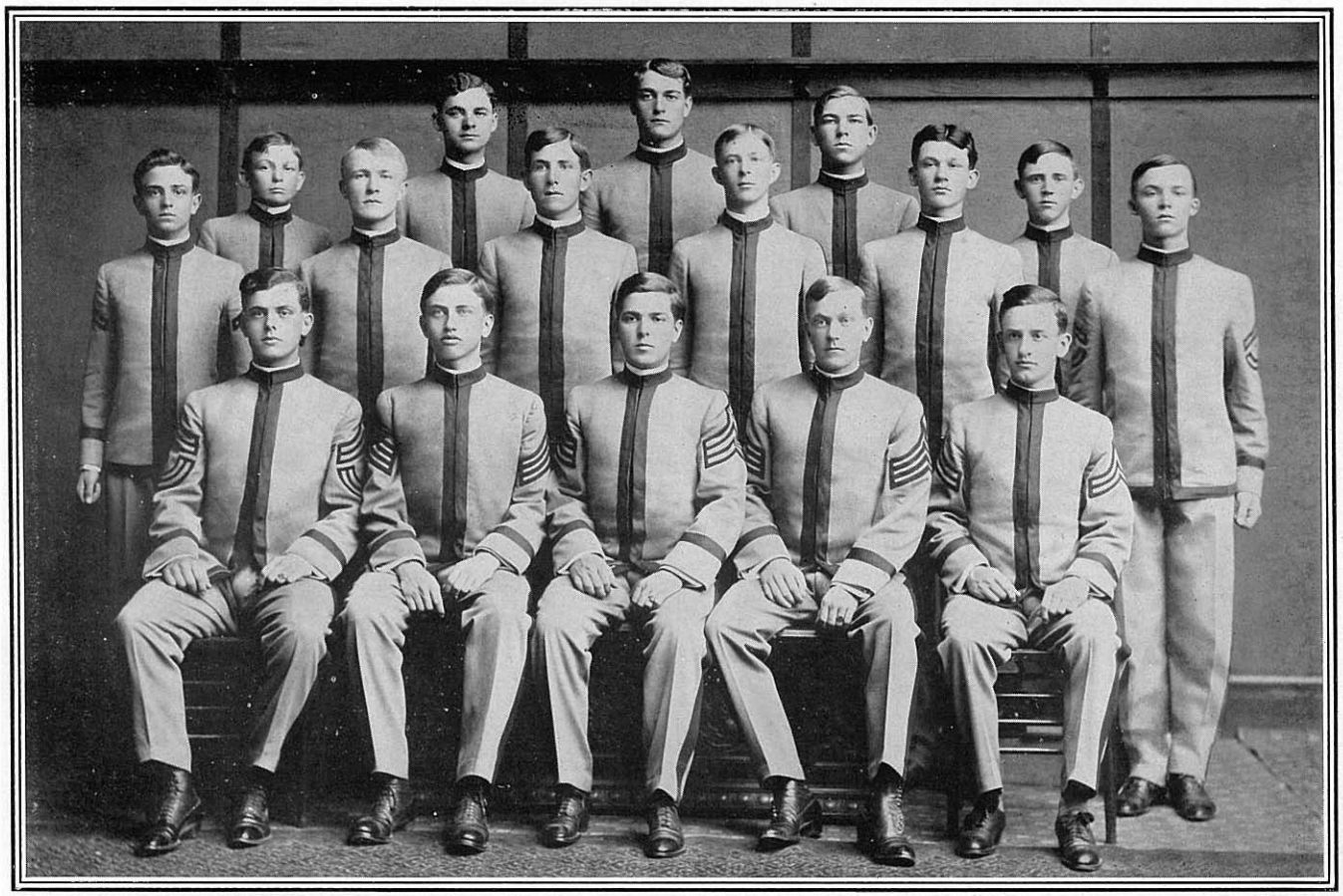
Tom had great courage. Though in a wheel chair, he was present at his graduation exercises in 1949, and he received an ovation when he was handed his diploma.

At Western he was an outstanding athlete in swimming and wrestling. He was also a member of the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps of Quincy which won a national championship.

He is survived by his parents, a married sister, his grandfather, and nephews and nieces. Tom was a member of the St. Mary Catholic Church.

His death occurred at St. Mary Hospital in Quincy near the end of October.





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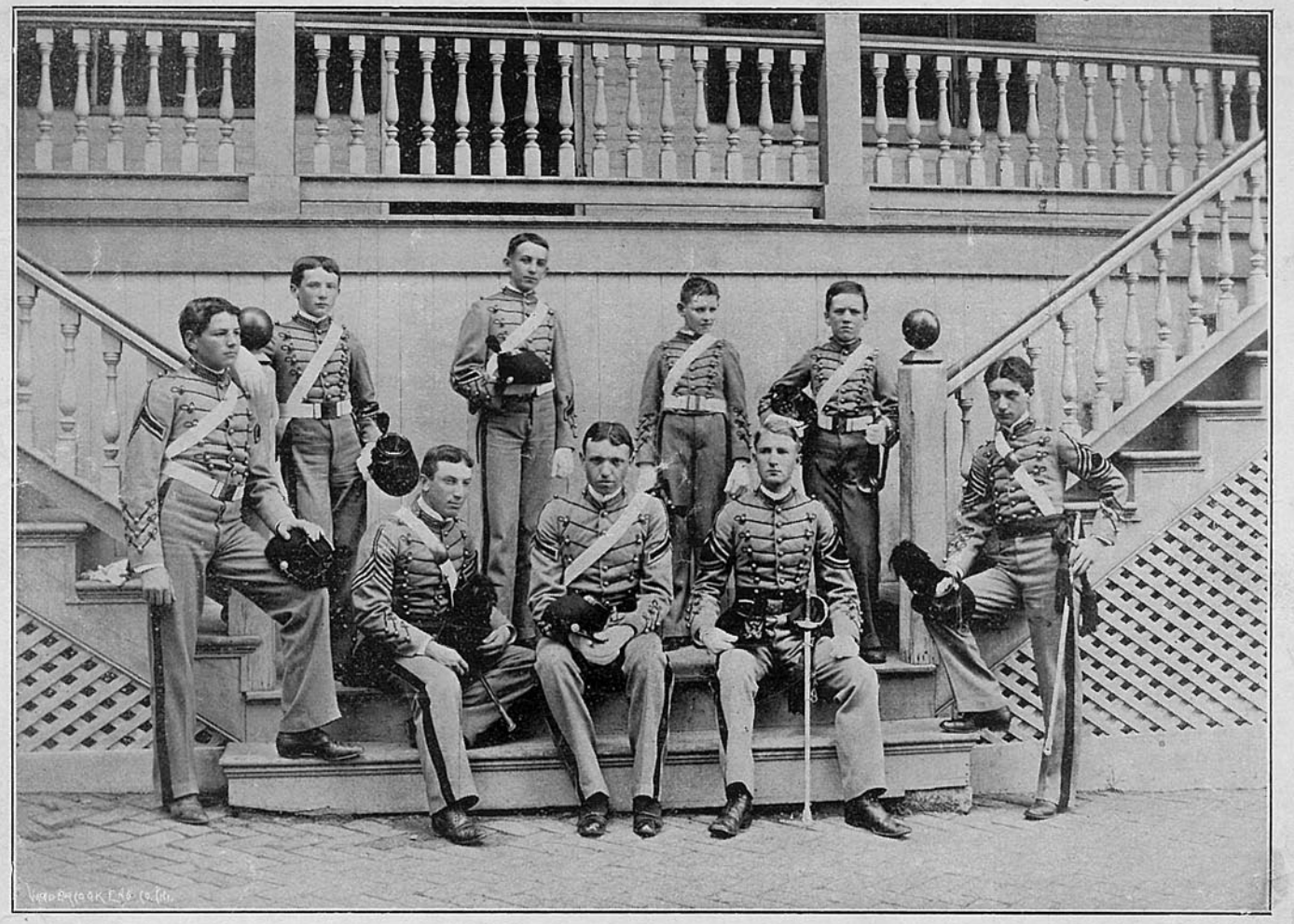

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THE UPPER TEN, WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY (L. VAN METER, '95 Absent.)

LEADERS IN SCHOLARSHIP

WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY
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HER SONS WHO SERVED WITH THE ARMED FORCES
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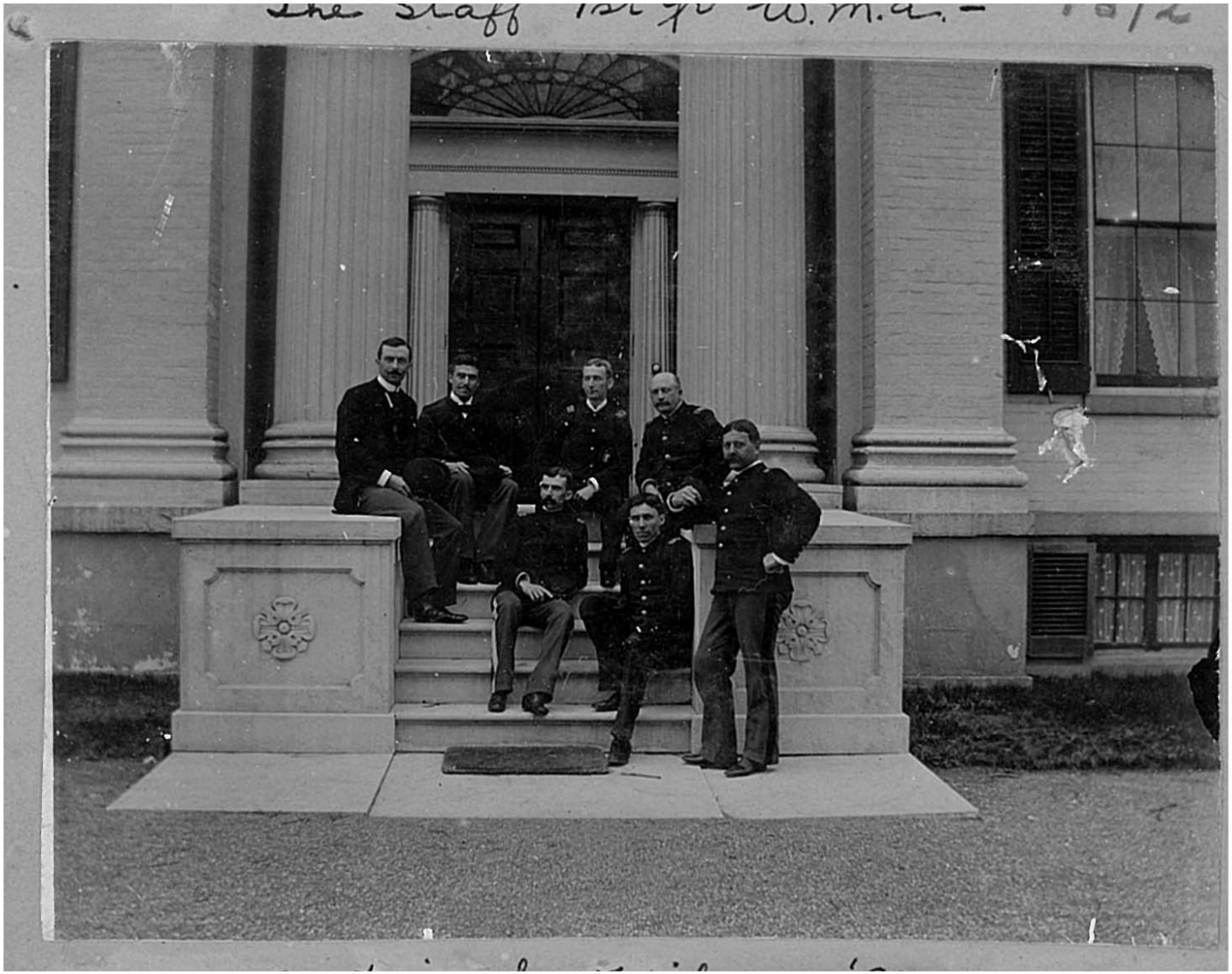
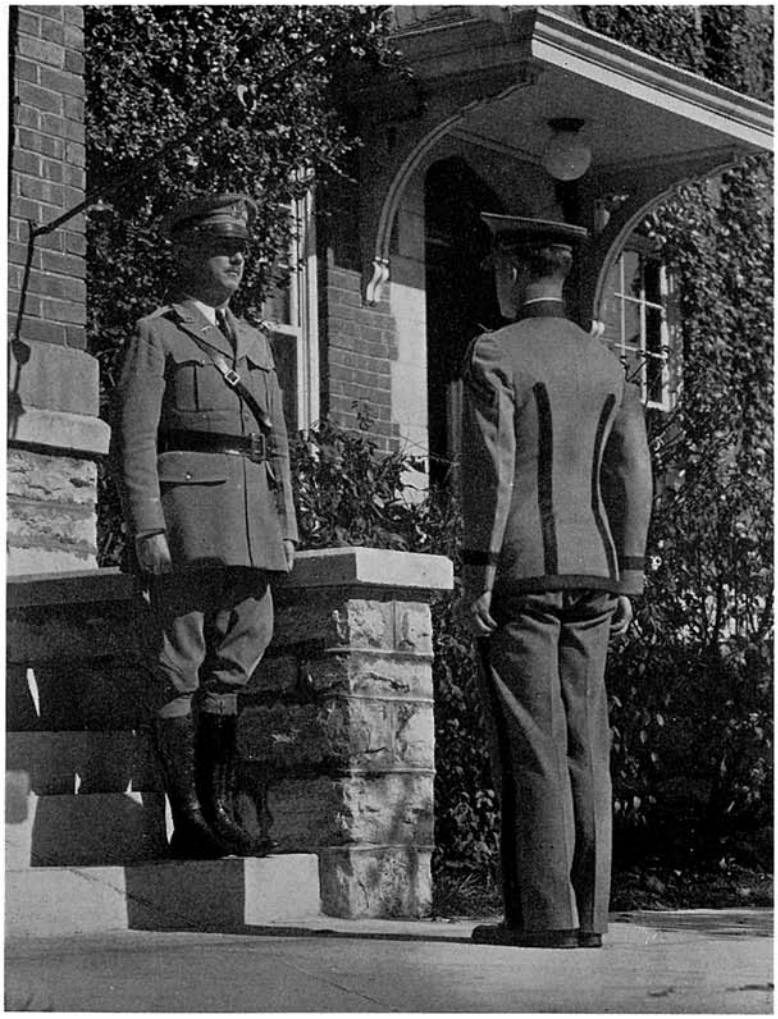
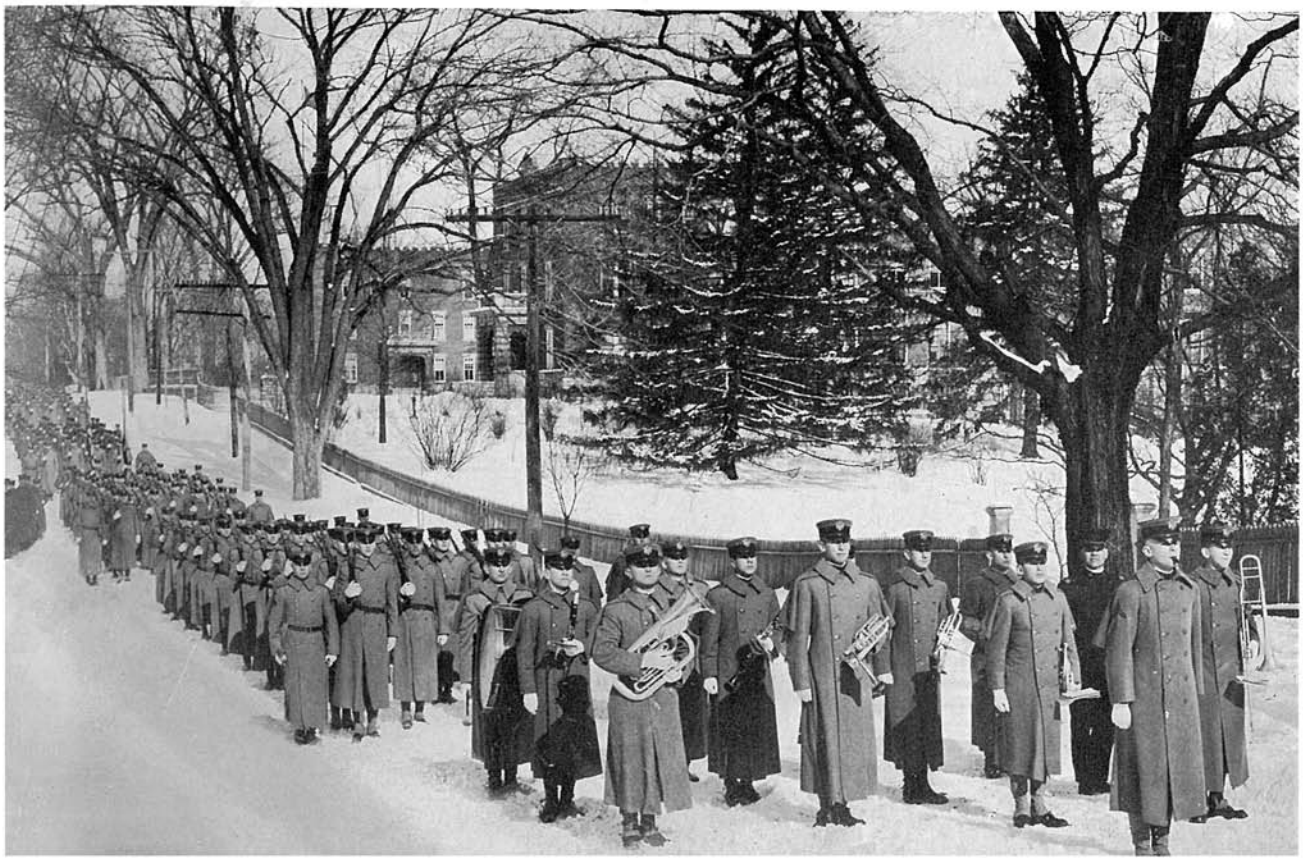


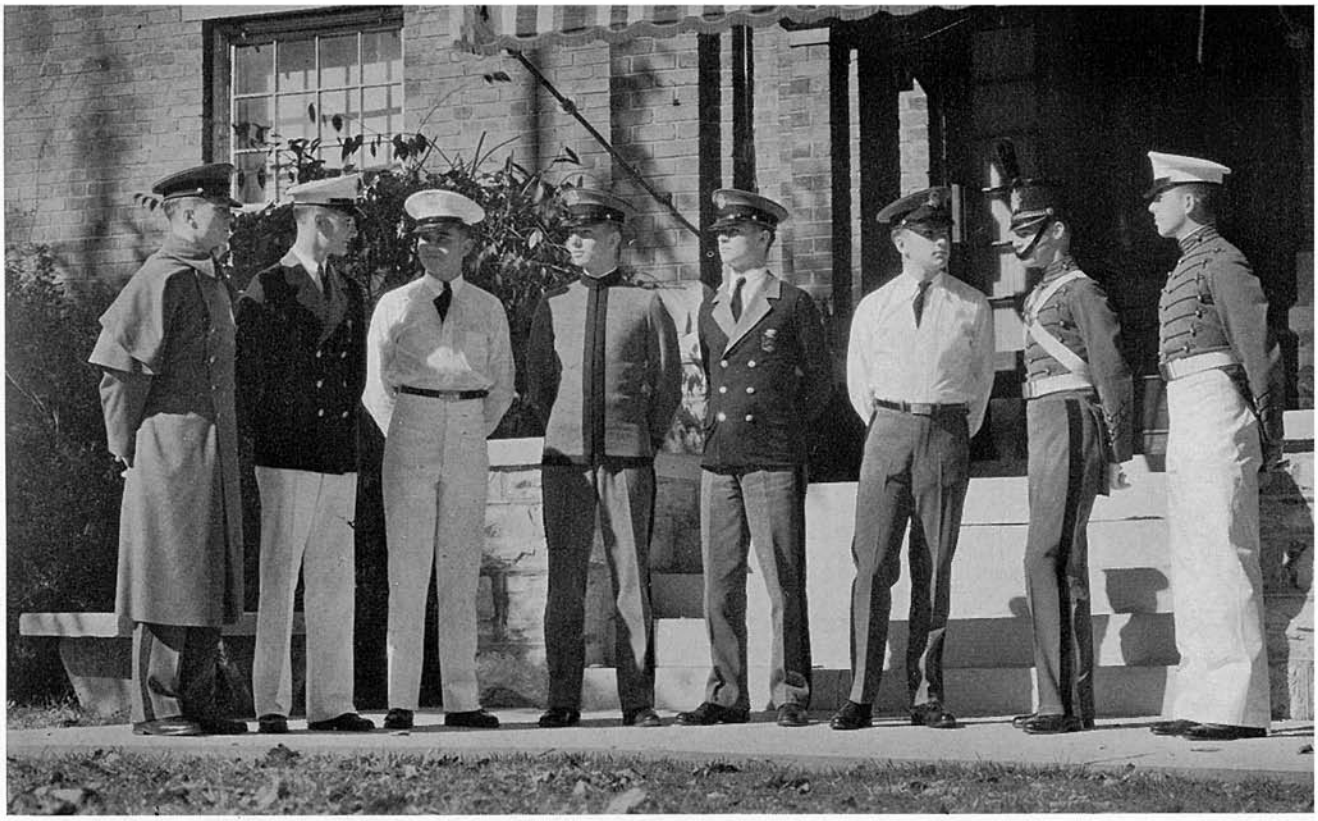
208 WEST 3D ST. Wiseman ALTON, ILL.

The Commandant is the Dean. Clean-cut discipline and prompt obedience are the reward of a disciplinarian who wins the respect, the confidence and the affection of his cadet corps.

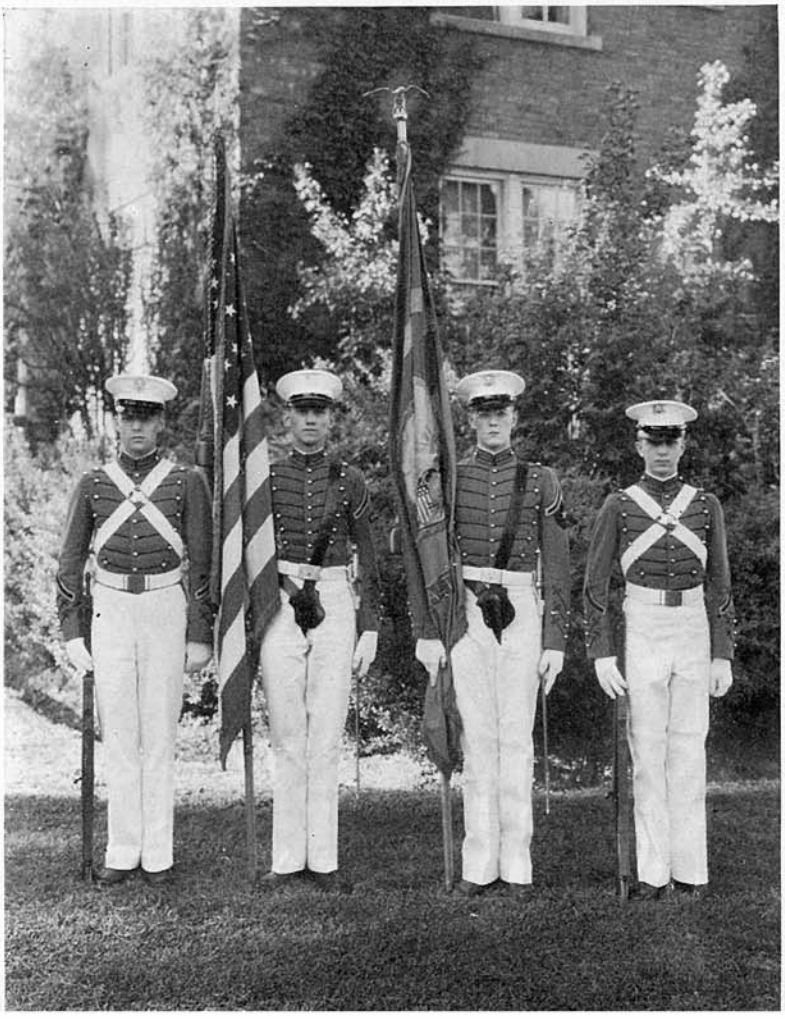


There is a feeling of romance in a winter practice march.





Our cadets are taught to take pride in their personal appearance. Three well tailored uniforms and an overcoat provide a variety of combinations.



Respect for the flag is a symbol of patriotism which should be instilled in the heart of every boy.

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Reception Parlor.

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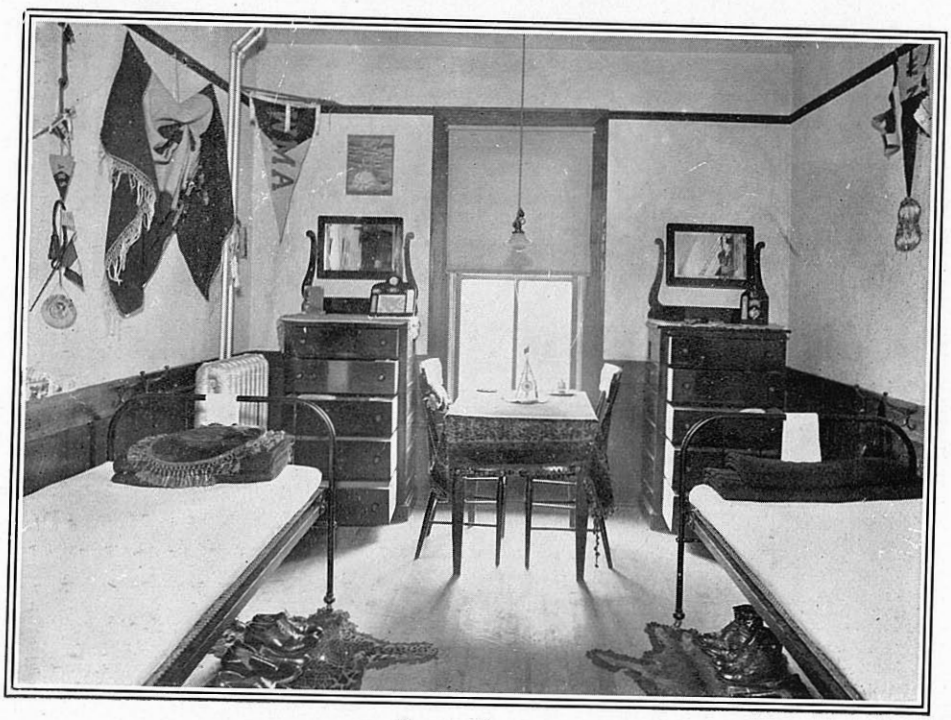

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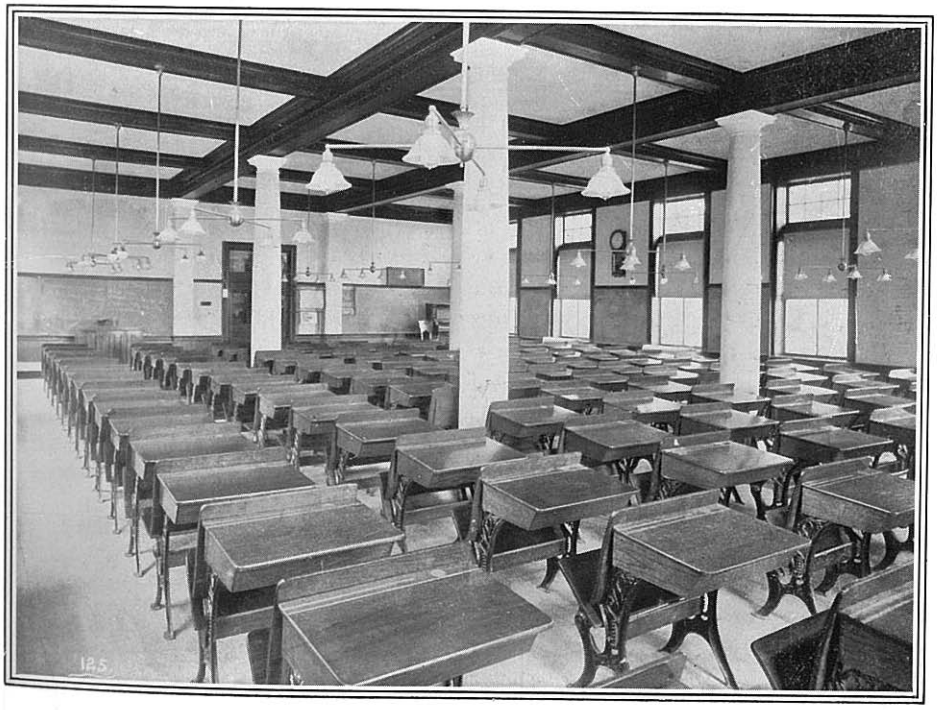

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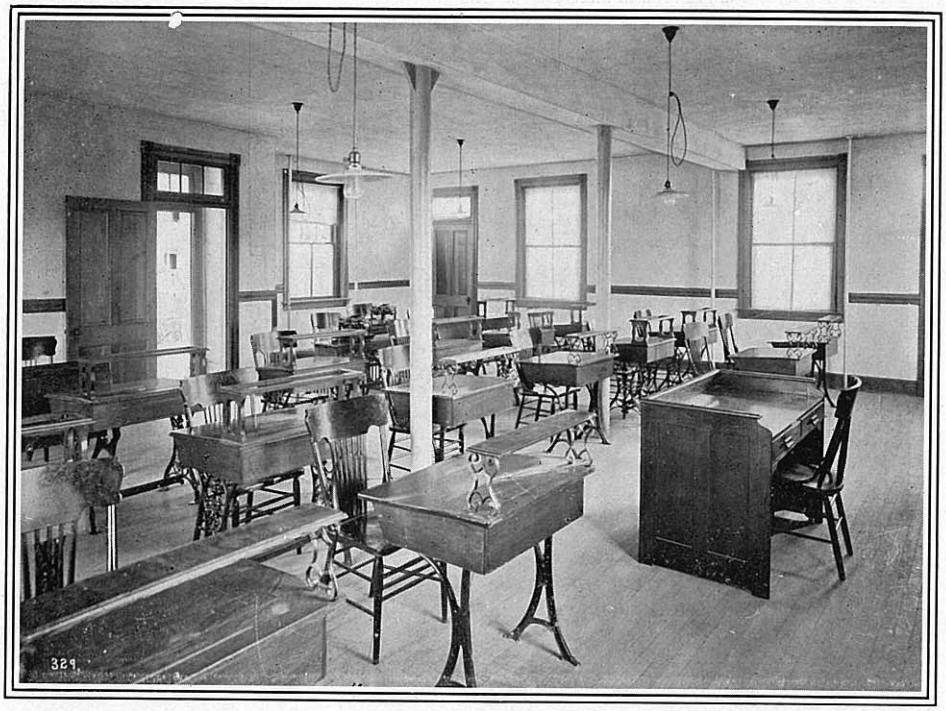

COMMERCIAL ROOM.

CORNER OF QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Joe and Will.

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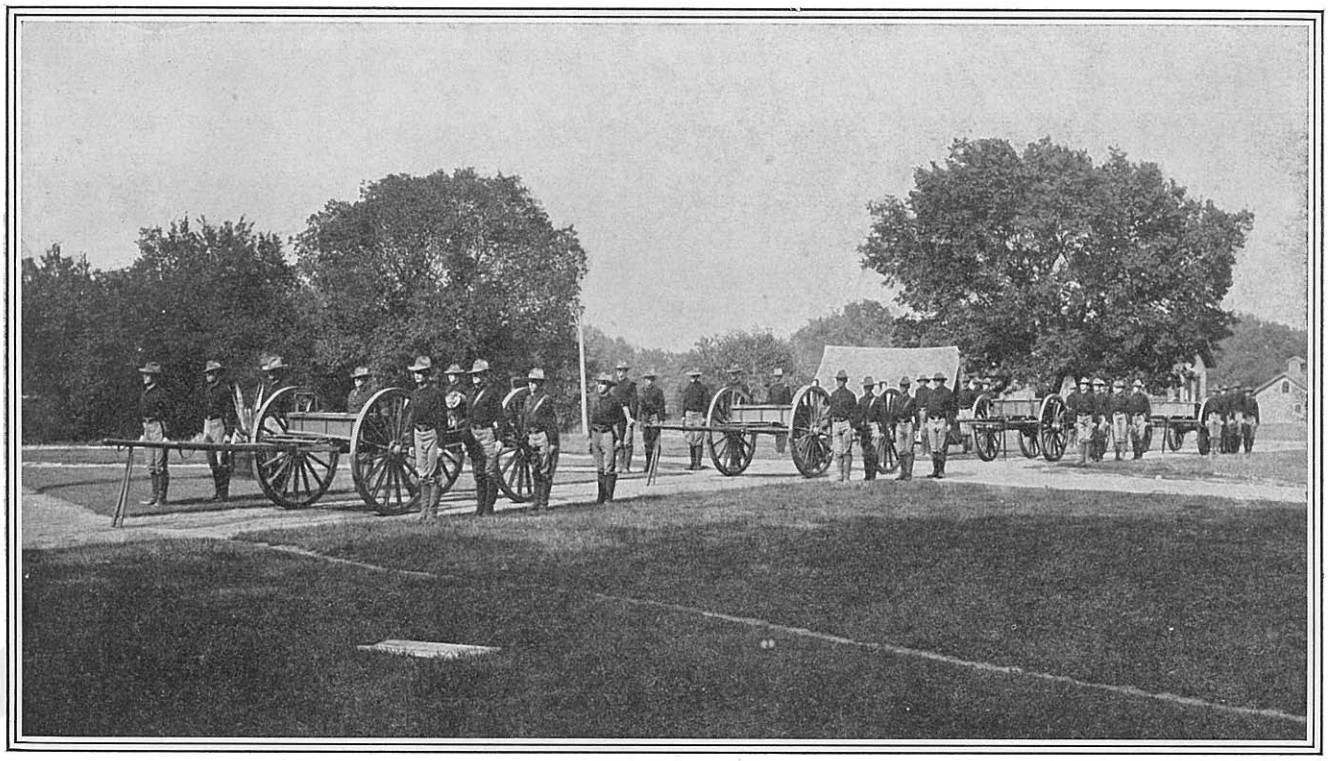

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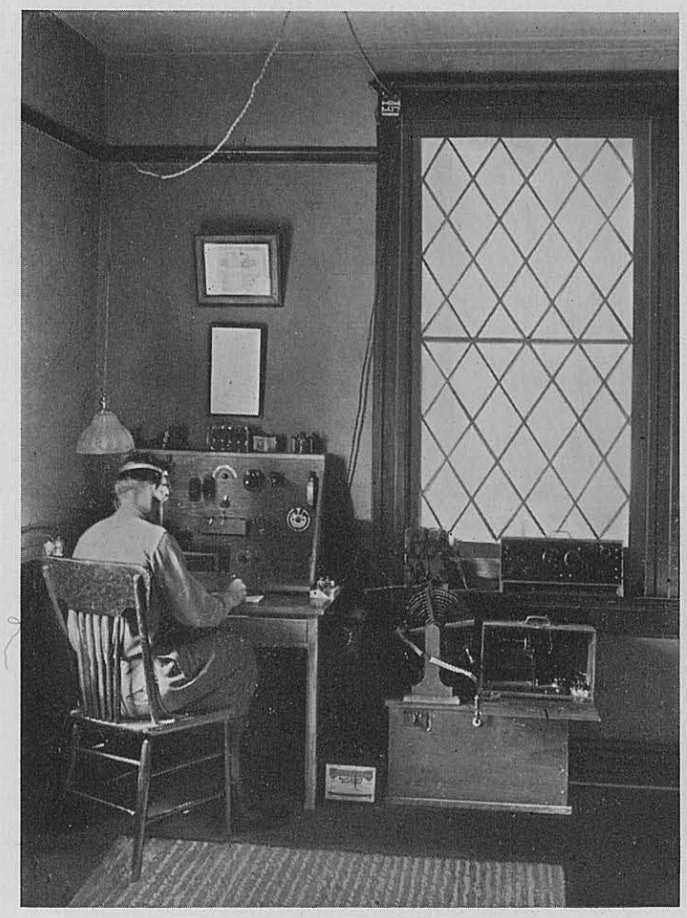

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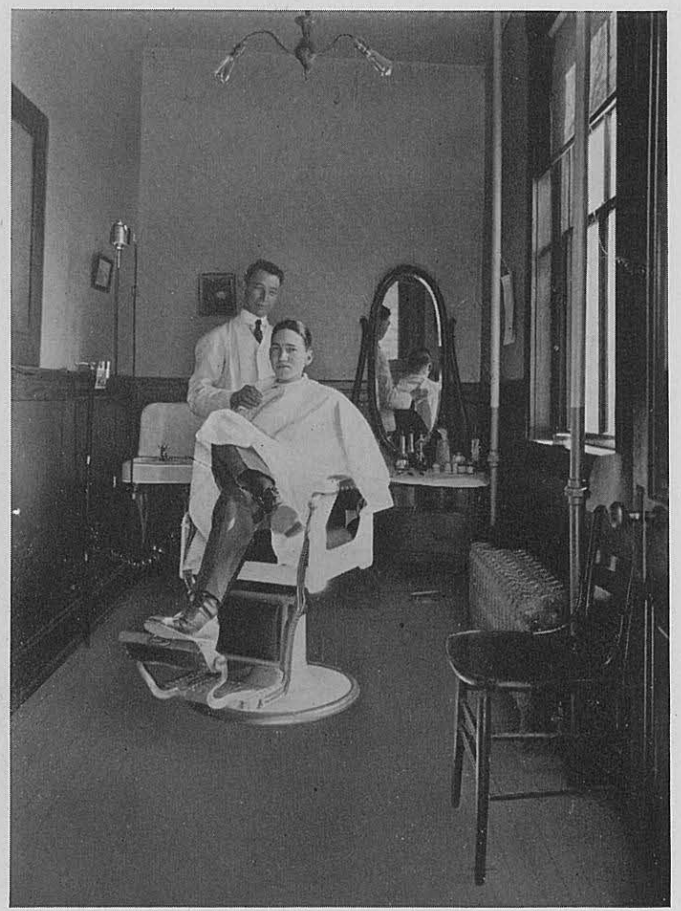

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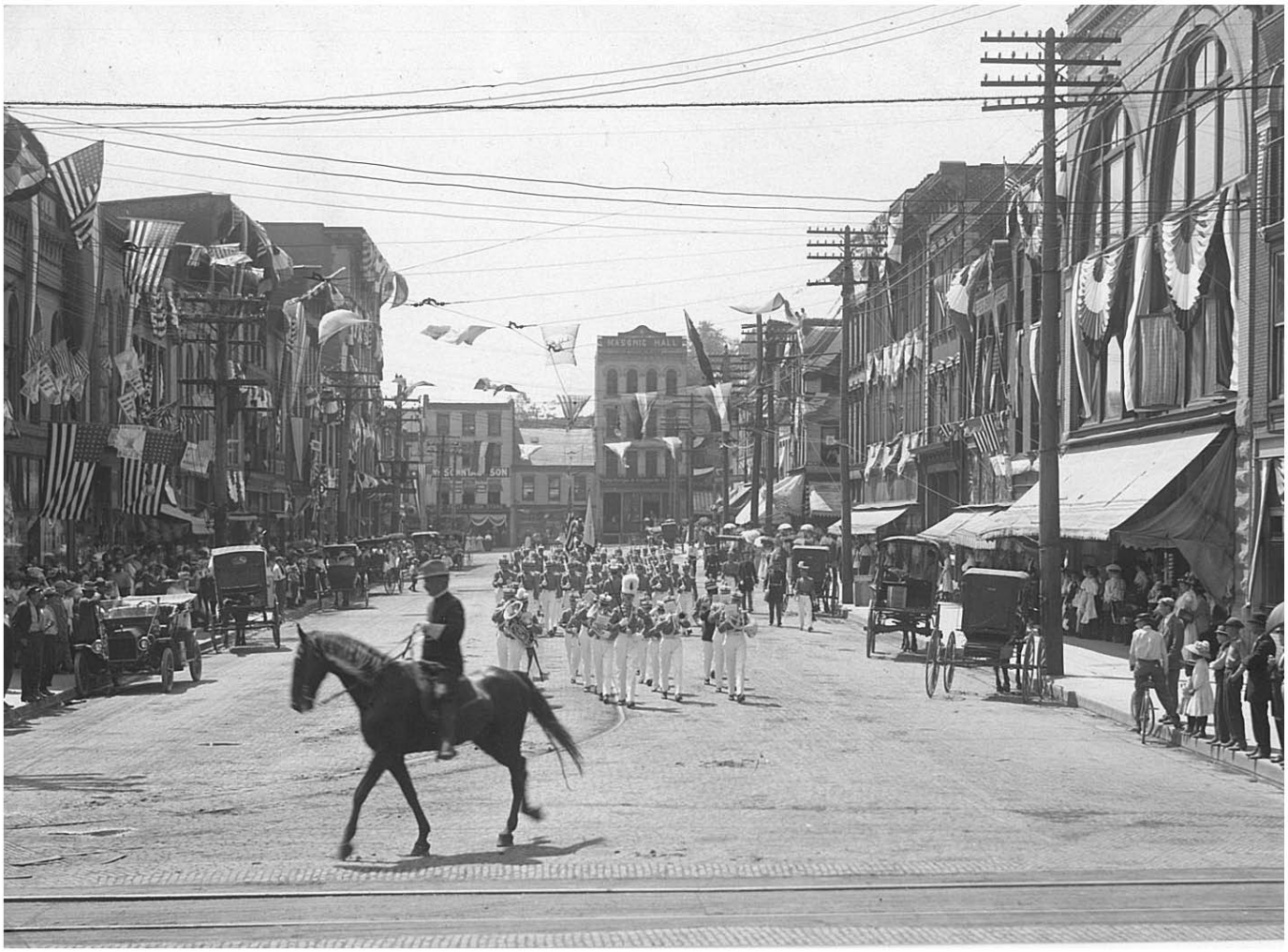
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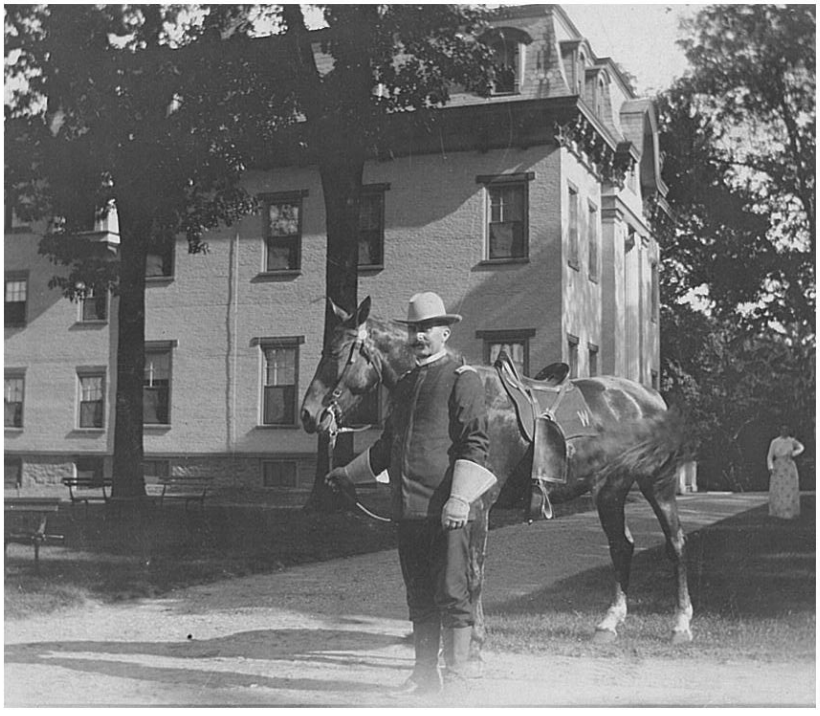

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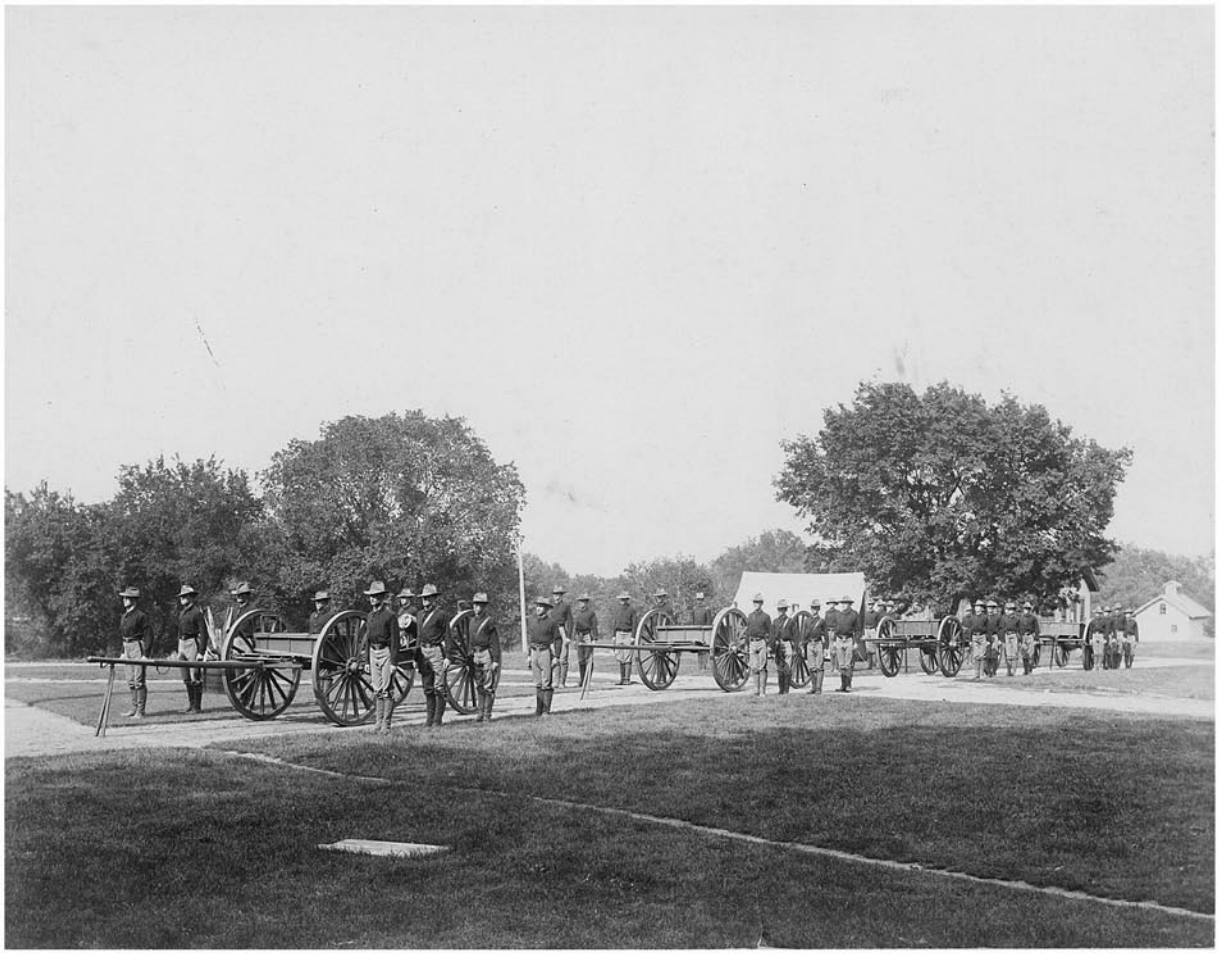
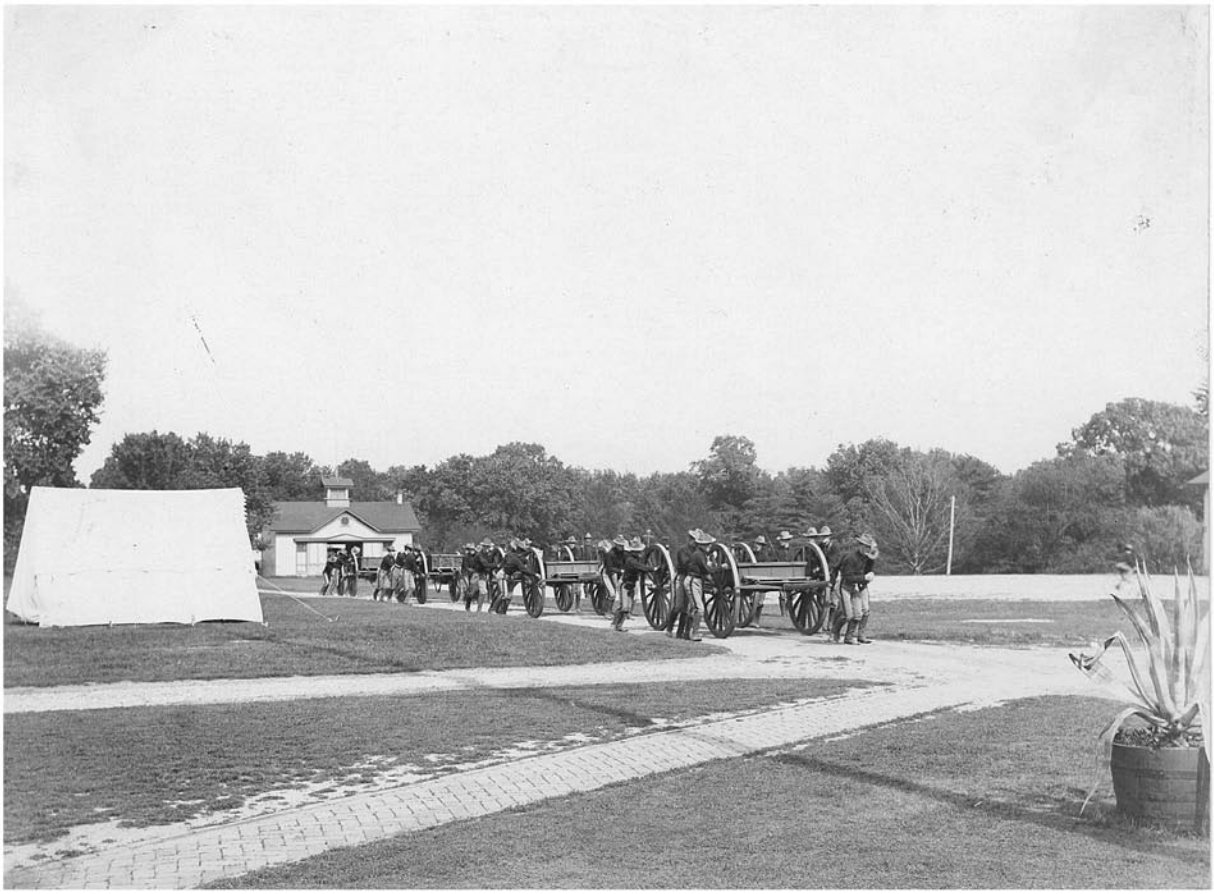
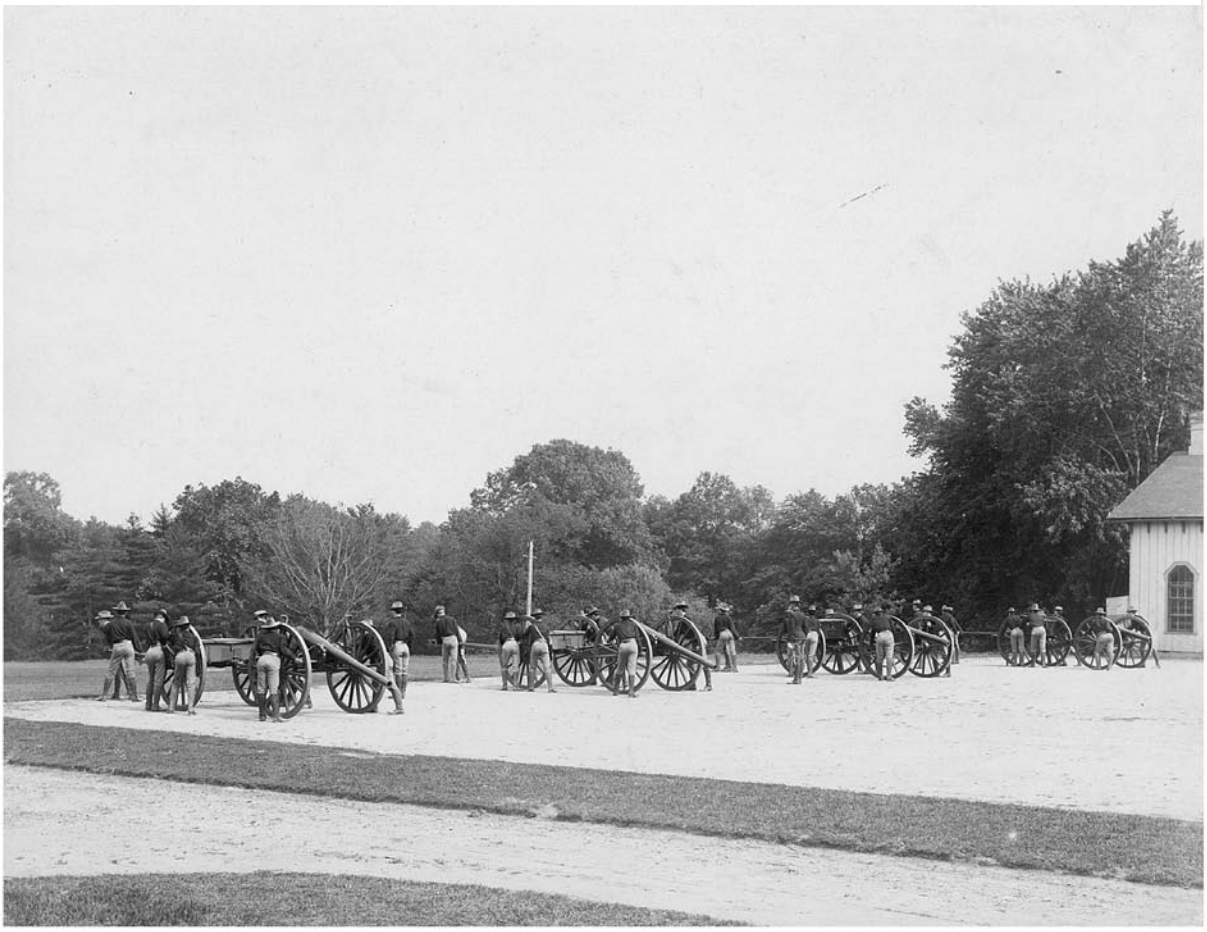
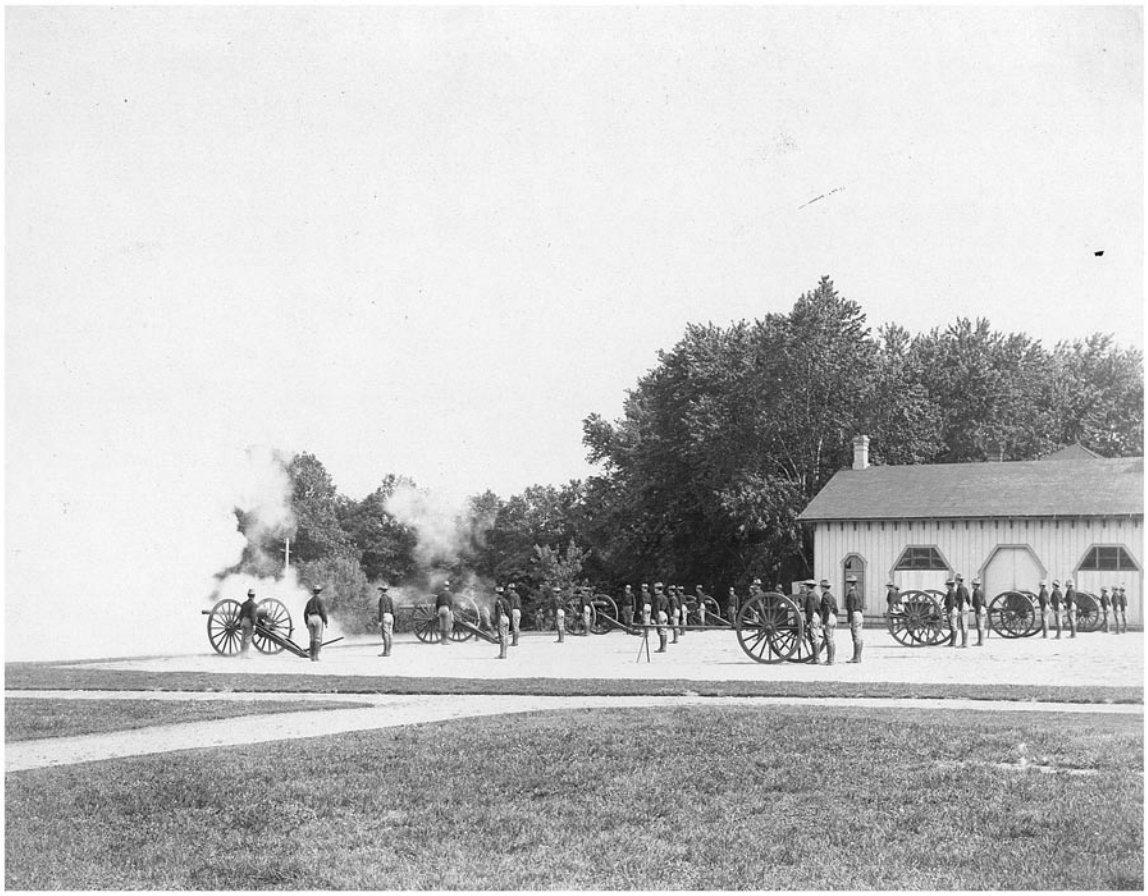
Athletic Group. 1895

I can name most of these F.J.L.









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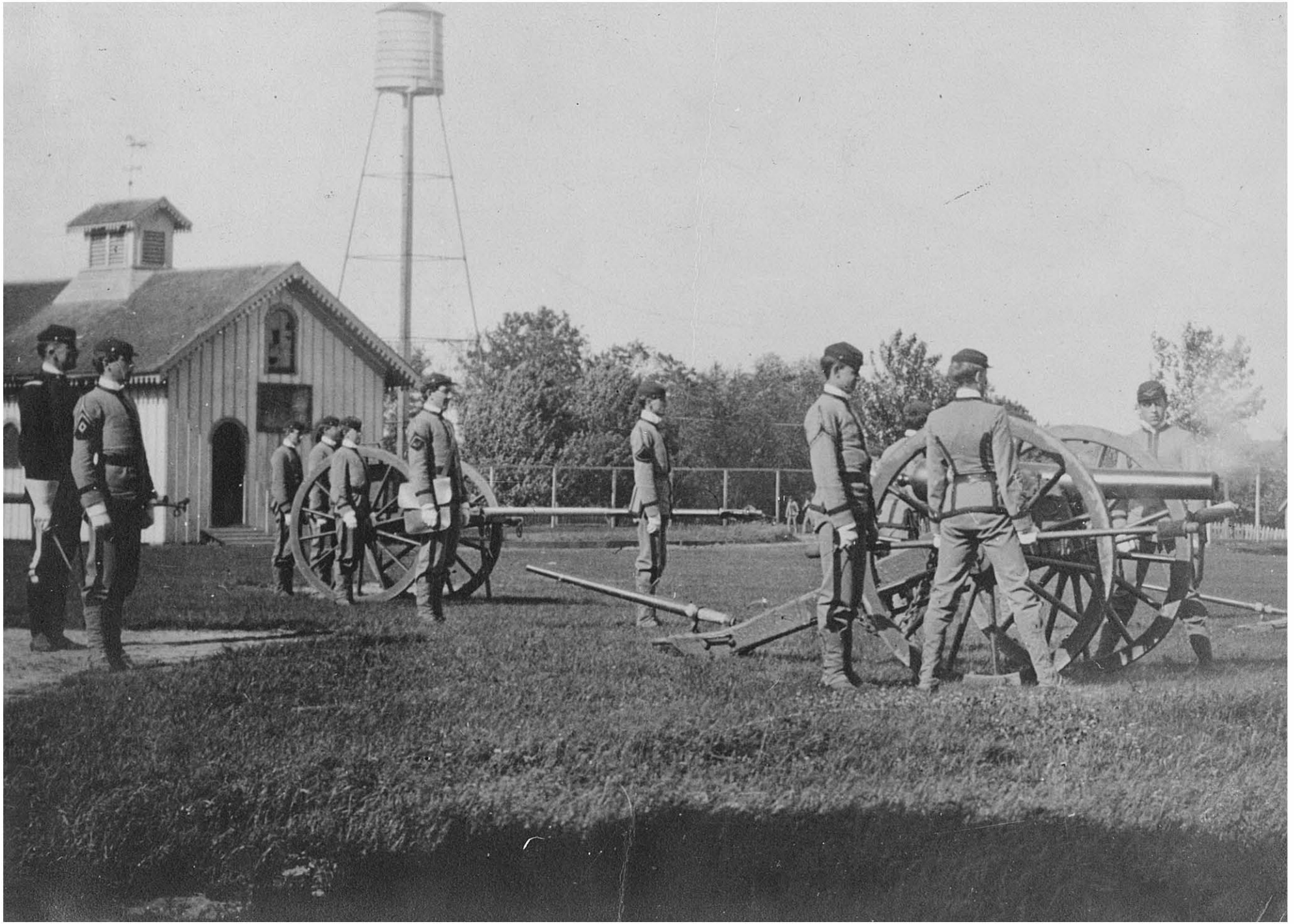

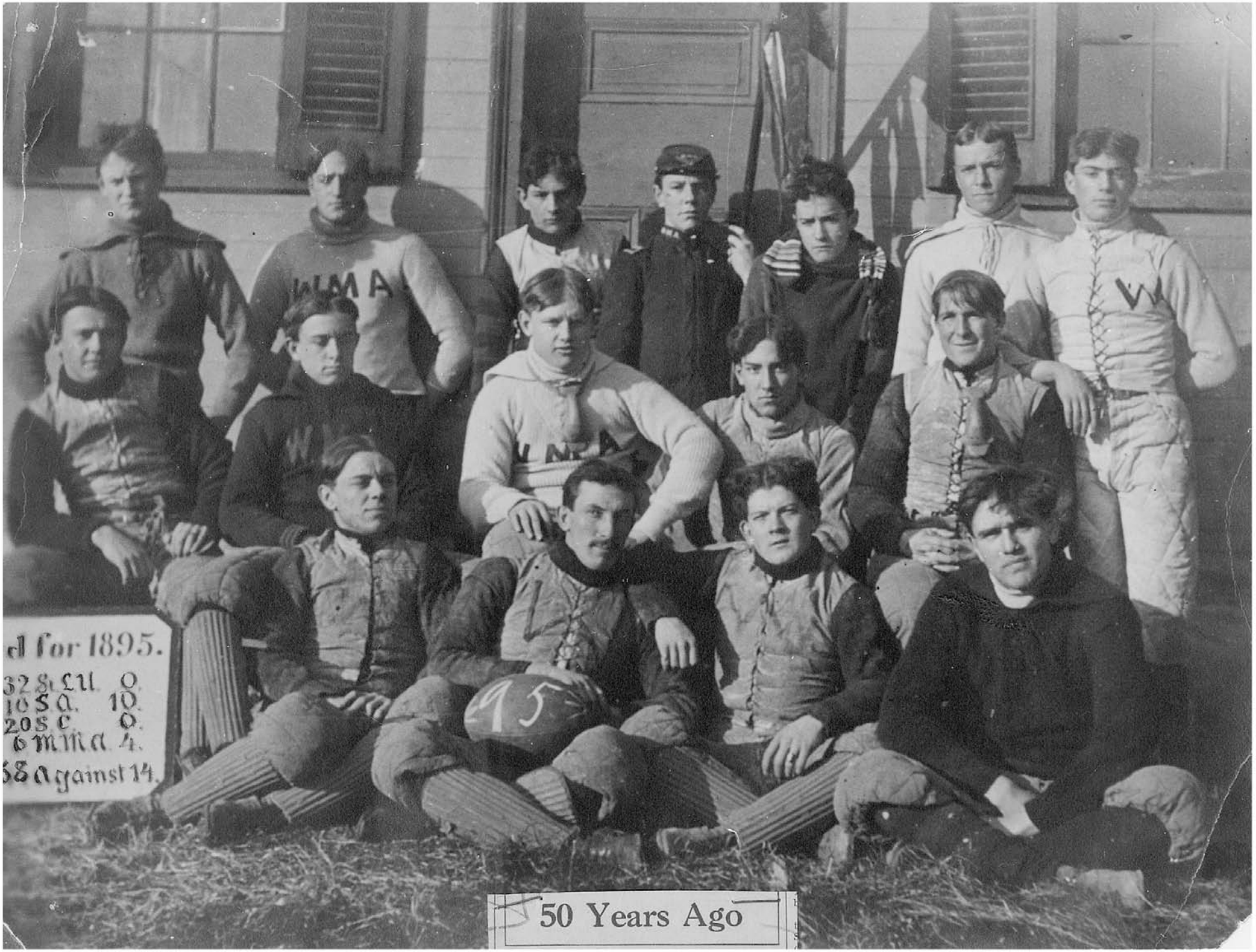

50 Years Ago

1898

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W.M.A.

Western Military Academy,

Upper Alton,
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CLASS OF 1902.

Erect carriage, resulting from continuous and painstaking military training.

77th YEAR

WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY
FOUNDED IN 1879

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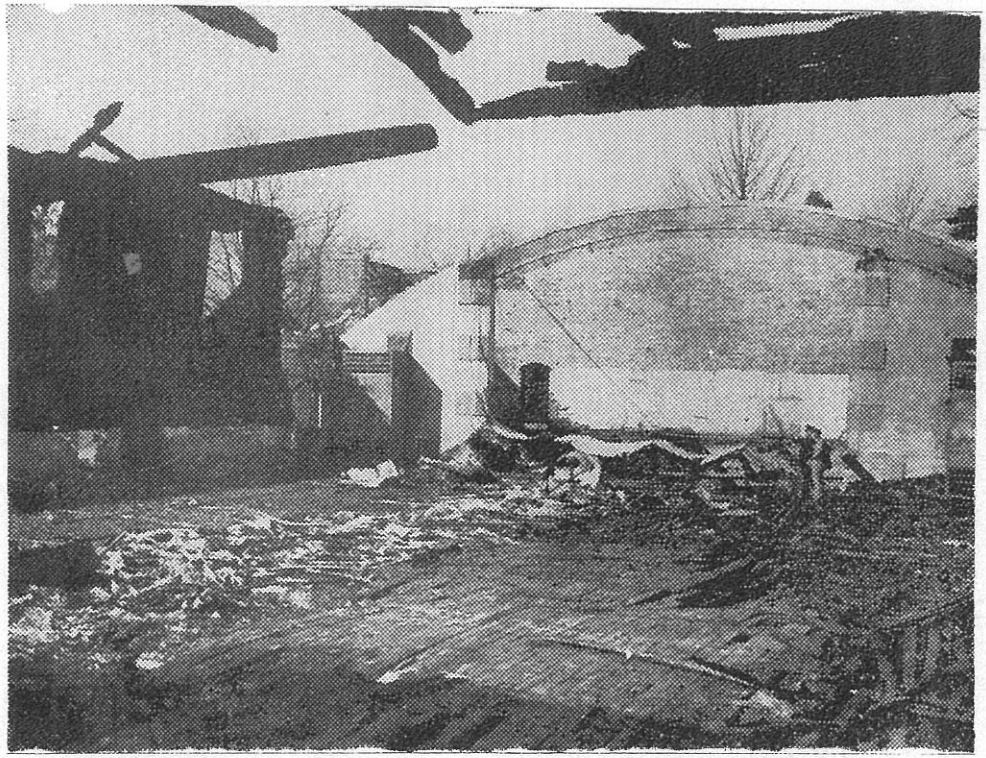
Only Rubble Remains In Burned Out Shell Of Gymnasium



Twisted metal and charred rubble in the foreground and the bare west wall in the background attest to the destruction of the fire which razed the WMA Gymnasium. The blaze apparently started under the stage which used the west wall for its backwall. —Alton Evening Telegraph Photo

Flames Destroy Western Gym Early Friday

Fire Causes $100,000 Damage No Injuries Suffered. Plans Made To Restore Building

By Burt Rudman

Fire completely destroyed Western's Gymnasium early last Friday morning; the blaze, believed to be caused by an overheated furnace, was confined to the one building. No one was injured and there was relatively little additional property damage.

The 27-year-old structure had been the scene of basketball games, plays, dances, and commencement activities. The building—partially covered by insurance—was valued at more than one hundred thousands dollars.

Lt. Col. G. M. Magee, secretary and treasurer of the Academy, stated that no loss of school time, and few schedule changes would result from the loss of the building. Col. Magee further stated that Harry Van Hoefin, a prominent St. Louis architect who graduated from Western in 1925, has been commissioned to submit plans for a new gymnasium.

Firemen were alerted to the scene by the night watchman who also warned some of the campus residents. The Comandant, Col. C. H. Moore, was notified and he and his staff of cadets immediately set to work keeping people away from the dangerous area until the flames had subsided

Field House At Western Destroyed By Fire, March 9

Was Scene Of Dances, Sports, Graduations, Entertainment—Will Be Rebuilt Next Year

Early on Friday morning, March 9, Western's Field House was completely destroyed by fire. No one was injured and no other buildings were burned. The loss was over $100,000.

The blaze was discovered by the nightwatchman at about 5:00 A. M. It seemed to originate on or under the stage, either from defective wiring or an overheated furnace. Though several companies of firemen responded, the Field House with its curved wooden roof and hardwood floors could not be saved. They did, however, prevent the fire from spreading.

Cadets Give Help

Col. C. H. Moore, Commandant, had the cadets well organized. Some were stationed on roofs of other buildings. Others prevented people from entering the danger zone. Still others later rescued some property, band instruments etc., from nearby structures.

When the roof caved in, flames shot up 150 feet high. The thick stone and brick walls were left standing. The adjacent drill hall, or gym, was not burned. By 7:00 A. M., all was under control, breakfast was served, and classes were held as usual. Later many cadets did excellent work

Many Games Played There

The Field House was nearly 30 years old. A new hardwood floor had been installed a few years ago. It was the scene of all important basketball games and many other athletic contests. The main formal dances were held there. Many memories of grand marches and dances centered around the Field House.

As it was equipped with a stage, many impressive dramatic productions from Shakespeare to minstrel shows had been presented there, as well as traveling entertainments. Civic organizations of Alton had used the hall. It could seat close to 2,000 people.

Prominent Men On Stage

It was also the scene of commencement exercises. On its stage, hundreds of cadets had received diplomas, saluted the audience, and taken the alumni pledge. Famous speakers had appeared on the platform, often as commencement speakers. They included Gen. Jonathan Wainwright in 1948, Western's own graduates, Maj. Gen. Harry Collins, '15, and the late Maj. Gen. Carl Gray, Jr., '07, Maj. Gen. Ed Sebree, the late Gov. Harry Horner of Illinois, Lt. Gov. Hugh Cross of Illinois, the late Mayor Becker of St. Louis, college presidents, prominent ministers, and many others.

The Comdedian, Joe E. Brown, Vaughn Monroe and his orchestra, university glee clubs, noted bands and singers—all entertained cadets from the stage.

To Be Rebuilt

The last Senior Play given there was "Stalag 17" in 1955; the last big dance was the Military Ball in February of this year; and the last big civic event was a Rotary convention last fall. The very last event on the night of the fire was a rehearsal by cadets for the world premiere of "The Guilty", which later was presented at the Alton High auditorium.

The Field House was insured and will be rebuilt. Harry Van Hoefen, Class '25, now an architect in St. Louis, has drawn up plans. In the meantime, the gym and the chapel are being used. The commencement dance will be held in the gym, the Senior play at the Alton High auditorium. It has not yet been decided where the 1956 graduation exercises will take place.

Gymnasium Work Almost Completed

New Lights, Stage Equipment And Dressing Rooms Among New Features of Building

By Bob Gant

On the evening of January 25, the new gymnasium will be christened when Western plays host to Country Day at a basketball game. The varsity and junior varsity have been practicing in the gym since Monday. This information comes from Col. Gray Magee who gave this reporter all the details.

The new gym has many new features. A shower room for the visiting team has been installed which will be much more convenient than the swimming pool locker room which the visitors formerly used.

4800 - Watt Lighting

A new system of lighting has increased the illumination power to 4800 watts. It has been predicted that users of cameras will probably not need flashbulbs in the brightly-lighted gymnasium.

Stage Equipment Due Soon

Stage drapes and equipment have been ordered and should be here soon. The drapes will be of a green tint to match the walls. The lights and control panel for the stage will be installed as soon as possible.

It has been suggested that the United States, Illinois, and Western Military Academy seals be painted on plaques and hung over the proscenium arch of the stage. This may be accomplished in the near future.

Special Commendation

Special commendation should be extended to Walter Laux, Gene Laux, James Mann, Oscar Wallace, and Jack Jacoby who, in addition to their other jobs around the school, have helped prepare the gym for the use of the cadets.

Race Against Time To Rebuild W.M.A. Fifty Years Ago

The "Upper Alton Column" of the Alton Evening Telegraph recently had an interesting account of how Western was rebuilt after a fire destroyed all the buildings fifty years ago in 1903.

Col. A. M. Jackson and Col. George Eaton decided to keep the school in Alton, though they had many offers to go elsewhere.

Then it became a race against time to get the buildings ready for the September opening, or the Academy faced ruin.

The following article tells the story.

The several hundred cadets attending Western Military Academy may have little awareness that 50 years ago there was a race against time which, if lost, would probably have seen the end of the nationally-known institution.

A recent reference to the great fire at the academy Feb. 7, 1903, in the Telegraph's "50 Years Ago" column brought to the mind of many old timers the successful fight of the late Col. A. M. Jackson to rebuild what the fire had razed.

"For a time it appeared as if he might lose the fight," one woman, who had seen the fire, said.

She explained that the students who were left without a school had to enter other high schools. This meant that if they were to return the academy had to be rebuilt for opening in September.

"This wasnt' as simple as it sounded," the woman said. "At that time Alton wasn't as large as it is now and workmen were not as plentiful."

Col. Jackson wanted only the best when he rebuilt. Some of the materials used, including the complete fireproofing, were considered revolutionary in the construction business in those days. To find sufficient workmen who knew how to install and erect the materials he had to recruit workers from St. Louis.

St. Louis then was not a few minutes drive from Alton because there was nothing to drive execpt a horse and wagon and their rate of locomotion made it an all-day trip.

The buildings, which are now the main building and barracks A and B, went up slowly. Through the summer of that year not only the Colonel but the residents of Alton began to feel the tenseness as work inched forward. It was generally known by then that if the academy couldn't open in the fall it probably would be written off as a financial disaster and closed permanently.

In the final month when the flow of workers from St. Louis suddenly stopped Col. Jackson was dumbfounded. He went to St. Louis and learned that, because of the many construction jobs, workers didn't have the inclination to make the long trip to Alton nor remain away from their homes to board here.

One elderly resident said of this period, "Things got so tense in this town that actually some of the people volunteered to work at the building site after they got off their own jobs."

Many of these she added, had no construction experience but they were able to carry bricks and do other laboring jobs, which they did, willingly.

After several desperate days Col. Jackson finally got together a group of workmen. However, from then until the race was won with only a few days to spare he had to make daily trips to St. Louis to make sure the men were on their way.

The struggle paid off, though. Almost every student returned and the sequence of graduations continues uninterrupted to this day at the academy, because the enterprising Col. Jackson took a matter of recruiting labor into his own hands.

Scaley Bass found it hard to swim in the snow, so he made better use of the stuff. Jack Costello's face presented too fine a target to resist temptation.

FIRE AT WESTERN FIFTY YEARS AGO

The following item was taken from the "Fifty Years Ago" column of the Alton Evening Telegraph. The event occurred on January 20, 1903.

"An early evening fire destroyed Barracks "A" at Western Military Academy and the loss was estimated at $12,000. The three-story structure, 10 years old, housed 34 cadets and the family of Maj. W. G. S. Lowe. All 34 cadets were in the main academy building at time of the fire. They were ordered to remain there and lost all their personal belongings in their rooms. Alton fire department was called to assist the Upper Alton department in fighting the flames. Students, left roomless, were being temporarily accommodated in Upper Alton homes. Col. A. M. Jackson and Capt. George D. Eaton announced a new and larger barracks would be erected at once."

The Col. A. M. Jackson referred to was the grandfather of the present Col. R. B. Jackson, and Maj. Lowe was for many years the Commandant. The barrack was supplanted by a fireproof structure.

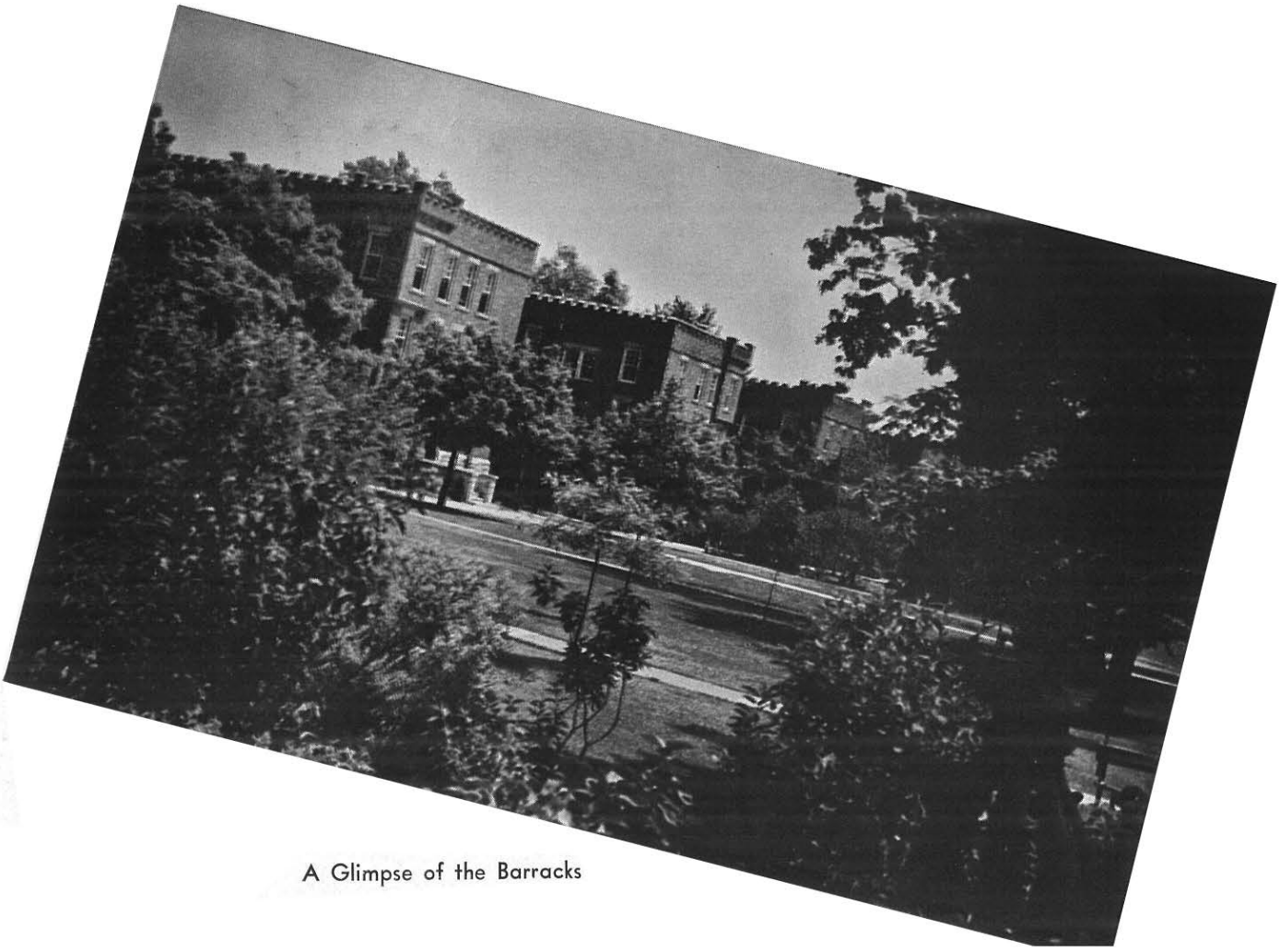
The Pride of the Campus—THE FOUNTAIN.

OUR CAMPUS

FRONT WALK

One time when the campus is quiet is when it is muffled under a blanket of winter snowfall.

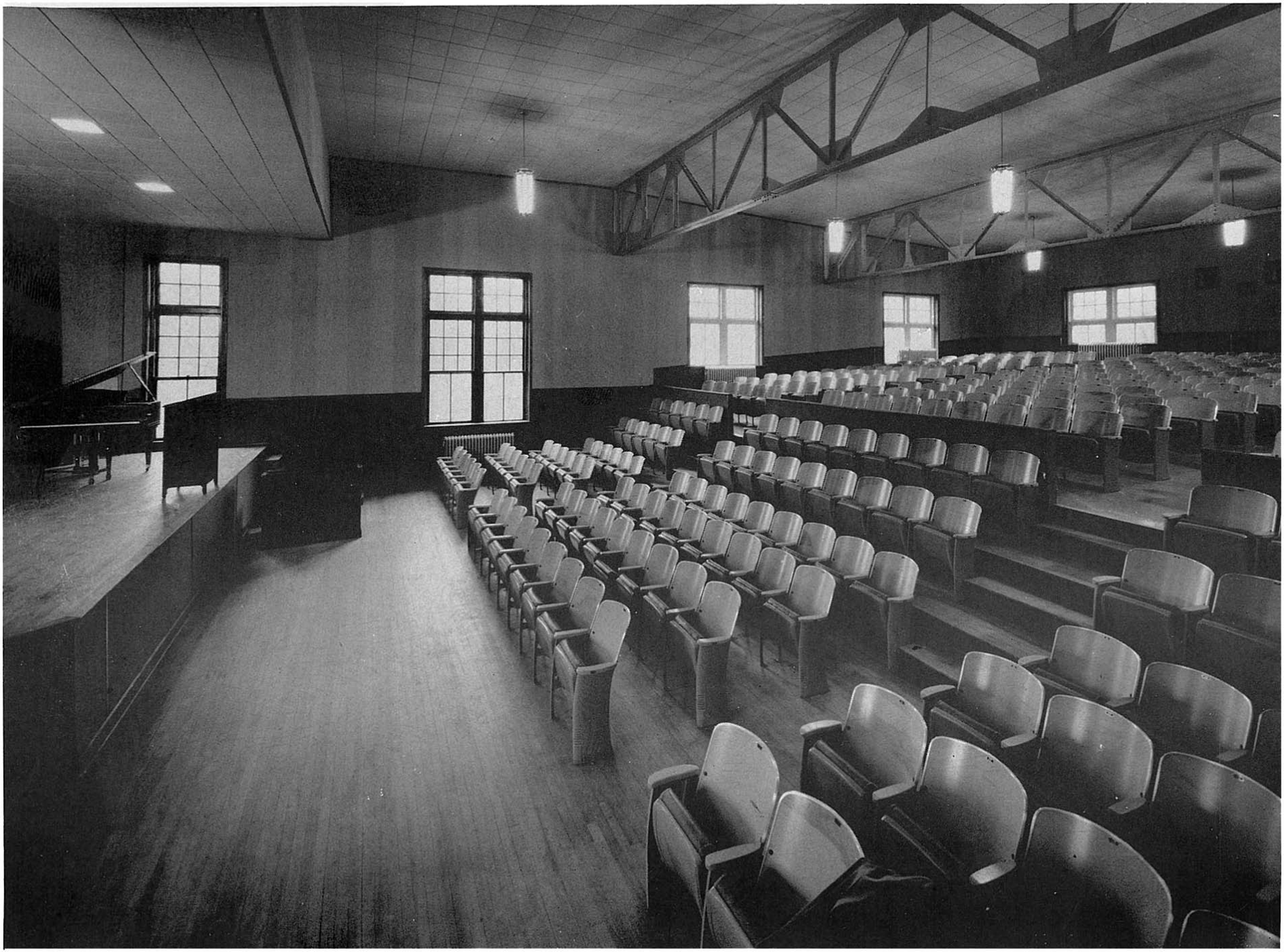
Fountain—Gymnasium in Background



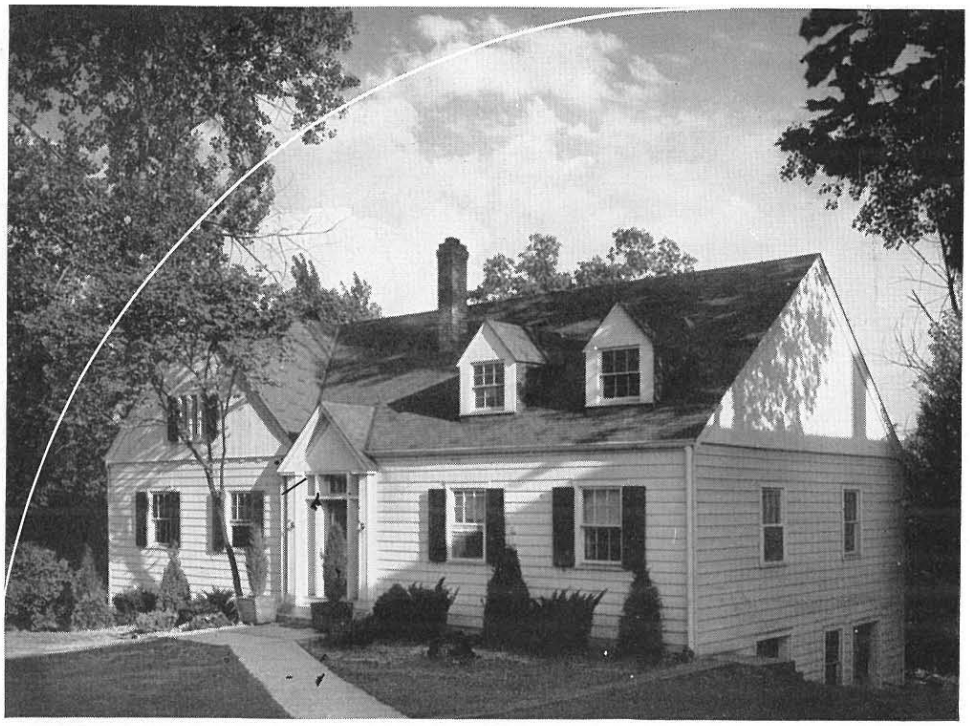
A Glimpse of the Barracks

The Senior Circle

The Memorial Chapel



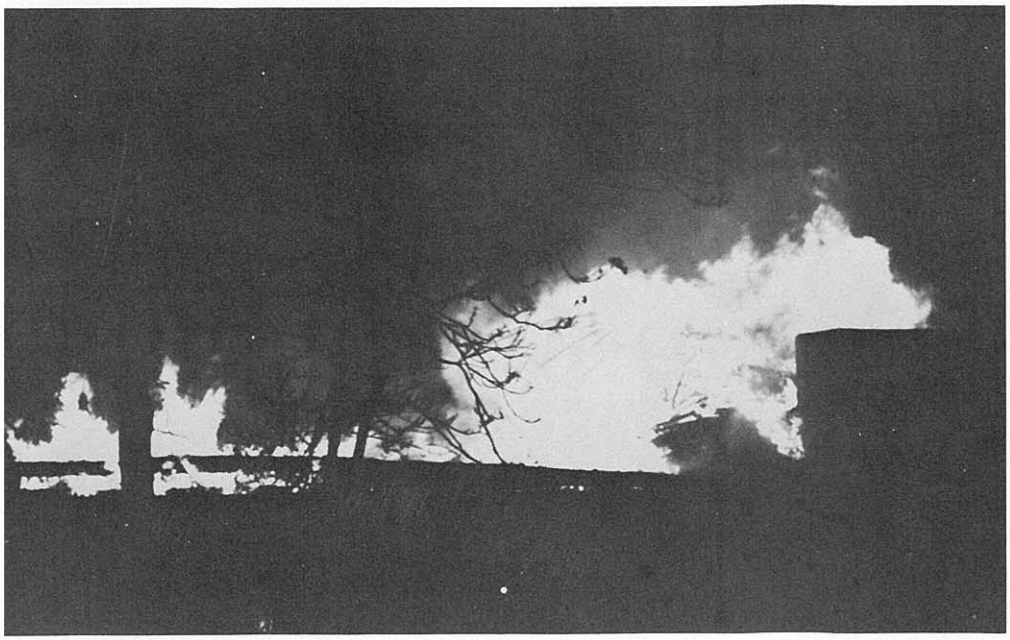
THE CENTERS OF ACTIVITY DURING THE WINTER MONTHS



THE CANTEEN—cadet hangout and "filling station"

ENTRANCE TO THE FIELD HOUSE: drill halls, theater, swimming pool, basketball courts, rifle range, recreation room, boxing ring, etc., etc., etc. . . . .

WHEN THE FIELD HOUSE BURNED



IN THE EARLY MORN, A BLAZE!

About 5:30 A.M. on the morning of March 9, the Field House, center of social activities, athletic events, plays, and commencement exercises, burned to the ground.

The cadets witnessed the spectacle with amazed eyes and then pitched in to save some property and clean up the debris afterwards. Col. Moore saw that a cadet was in charge of other buildings while the blaze was in progress.

The Field House was about thirty years old. Hundreds of Seniors had received their diplomas on its stage, saluted the audience, and gone forth to join the ranks of alumni. Many brilliant formal dances had been held on its polished hardwood floor.

THEY FOUGHT, AND FOUGHT!

AND THEN-- THE CLEANUP!

However, plans were made at once for the construction of a new building which would far surpass the old one. Perhaps the Class of '57 will profit from the facilities of the new structure, as previous classes have in the destroyed Field House.

"THE DAY IS DONE, AND THE DARKNESS
FALLS FROM THE WINGS OF NIGHT."

And at sunset, the flag is reverently lowered by the color guard as twilight envelops the campus.

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The New Barracks "E"

New Fireproof Dormitory, Barracks "E" Completed

Barracks "E," under construction since last July, is now occupied by the old cadets who have been in temporary quarters.

The building is 35 feet wide and 95 feet long, three stories, with full basement, and fireproof throughout. It is of the English style of architecture, with battlemented parapets, similar to the other eight buildings, and it has a distinctly military character.

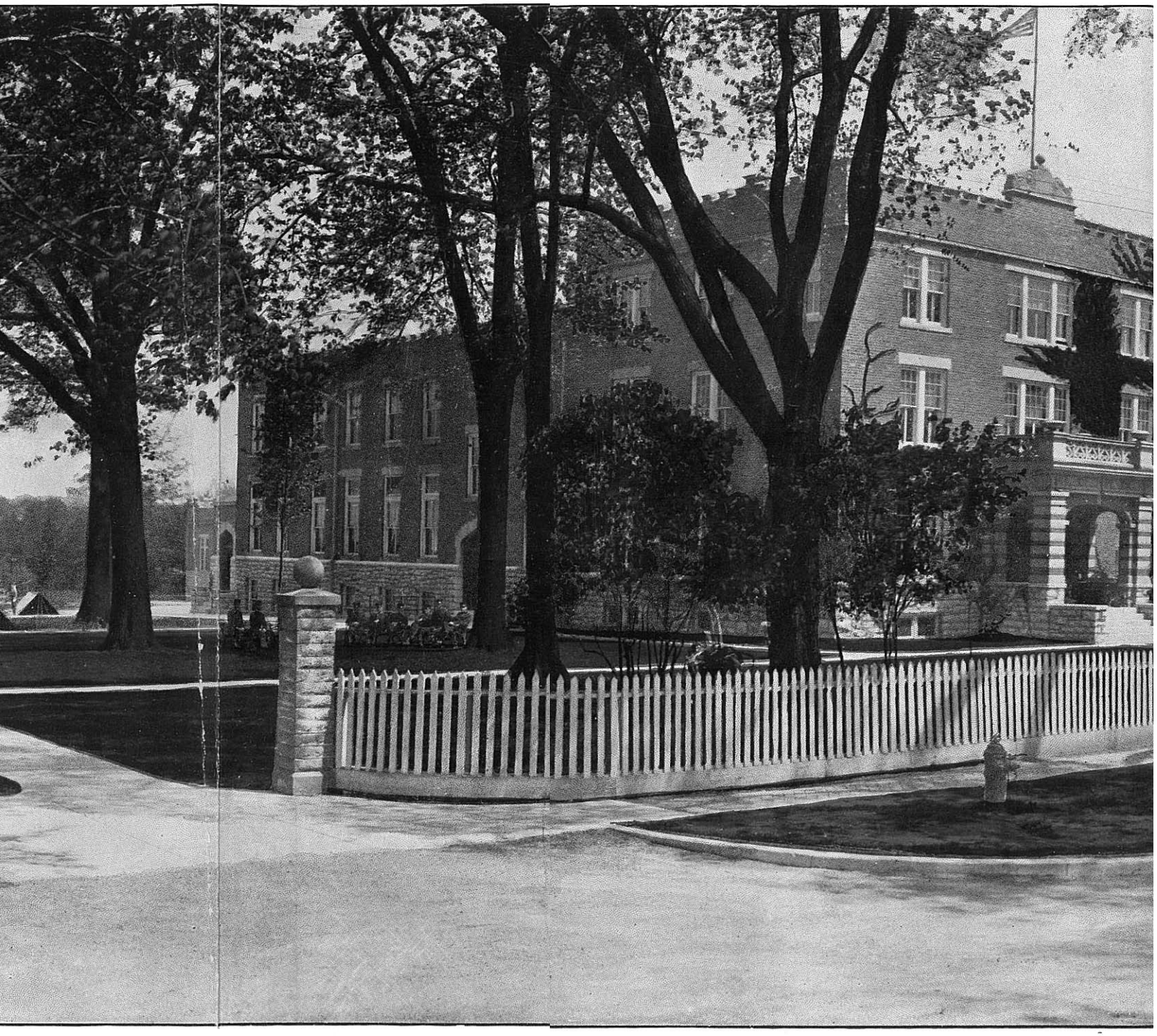
It is constructed of broken ashlar Alton stone up to the first story window sills, and above this of Alton paving brick, trimmed with Bedford stone. The building contains thirty-four rooms for cadets and two suites for officers. It is equipped with all modern conveniences and is heated by hot water.

H. G. Clymer, of St. Louis, was the architect. The general contract was awarded to the Wm. MacDonald Construction Company, of St. Louis. The heating and plumbing was installed by the Karr Supply Company, of Belleville, Ill. It happens that all of these parties either are, or have been patrons of the school, and have taken, therefore, a personal interest in the construction.

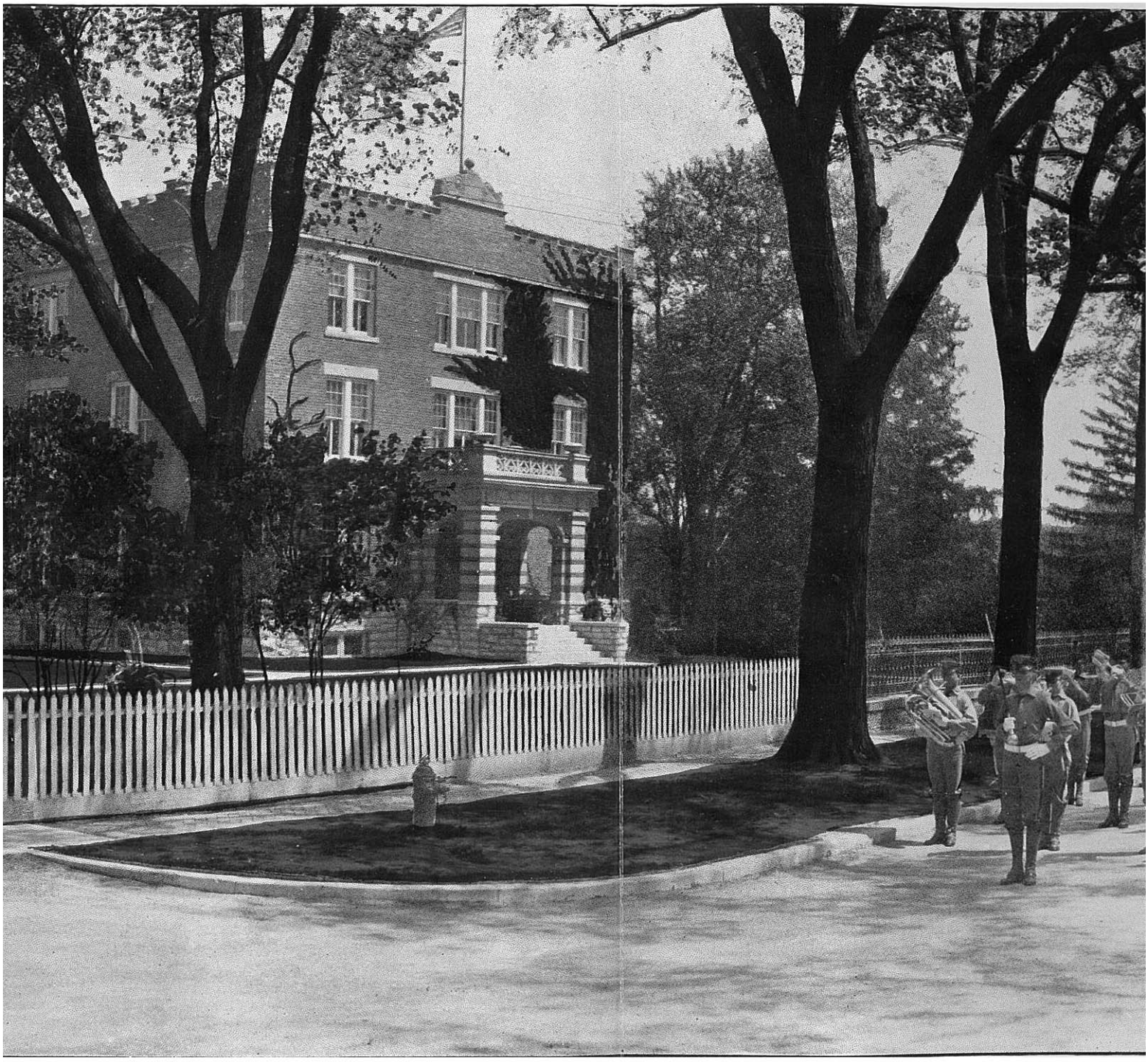
Western's capacity has been overtaxed for some years, and several residences have been used as outlying barracks. In order to provide standard accommodations for the overflow, this new building was necessary. It will not materially increase the capacity of the school, now about three hundred.

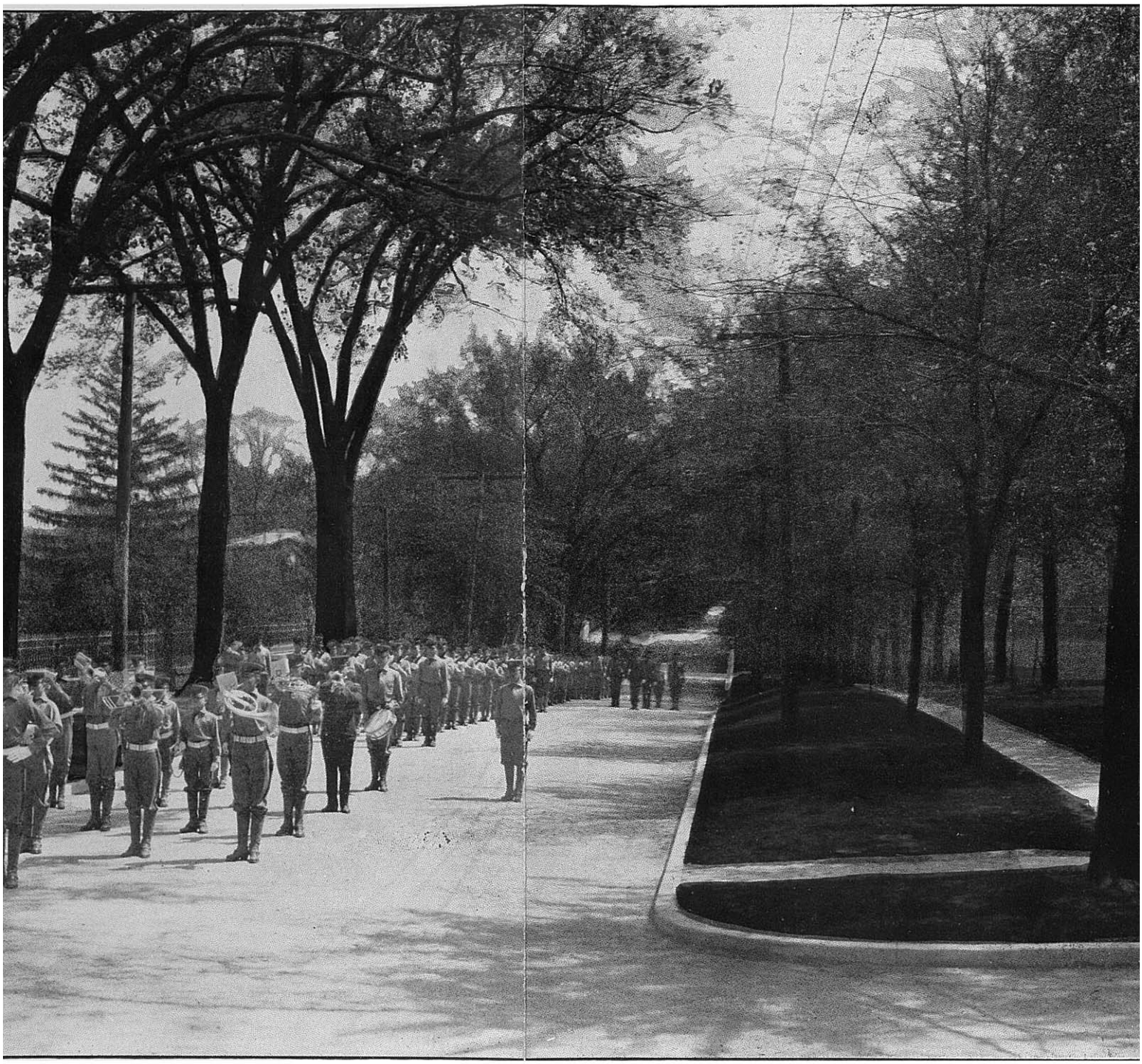
During the year 1923-24, Barracks "E" was under the supervision of Captain Leurig, the faculty barracks chief, Lieutenant Maldaner, the cadet barracks chief, and his second in charge, Lieutenant Clutter. Sergeants Whittemore, Channer, Kraper, Grant and Belding acted as floor chiefs and seconds-in-charge on the different floors.

Fireproof Barracks "A," "B" and "C," and Administration Building.



WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY, ALTON, ILLINOIS.





Improvements at the

Western Military Academy

ALTON, ILLINOIS,

During the Summer of 1912.

THE average attendance during the session of 1911-1912 was about 175 cadets, and all of those who desired to enter could not be received, because of insufficient accommodations. The buildings were planned to accommodate about 155 cadets, and in several departments, notably the study hall and the mess hall, conditions were somewhat crowded. The four company organization proved very satisfactory from a military standpoint, and a return to the three company organization seemed like a step backward, but it would have been necessary if additional quarters were not provided. Under these circumstances it seemed best to undertake an enlargement and to change from a 150 to 200 basis. This made necessary the erection of three new buildings to cost, with furnishings, approximately $50,000.

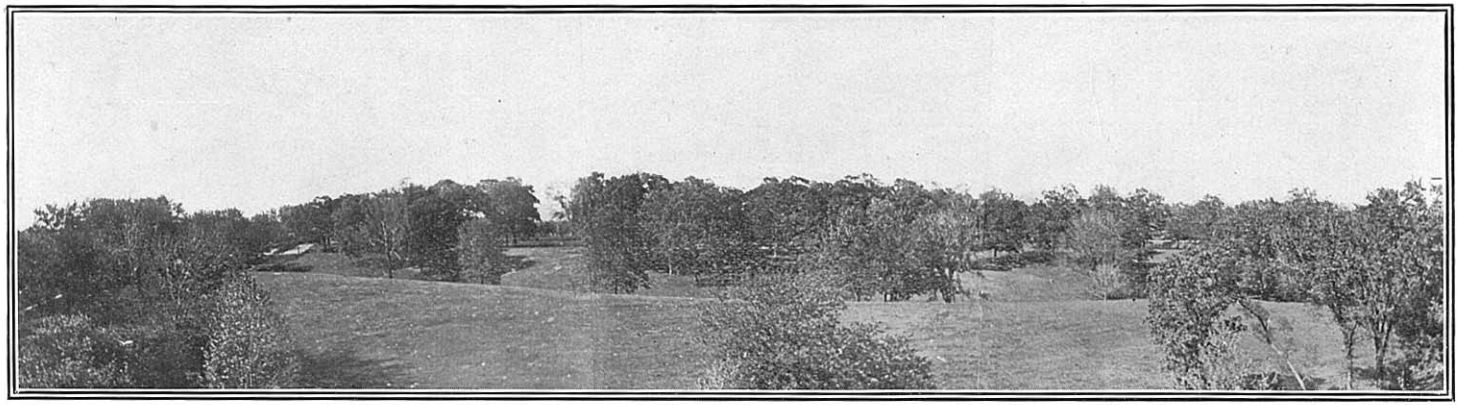
Work on Barracks "D" is well advanced. It will stand east of Barracks "C" and will be **absolutely fireproof** throughout. It will contain about thirty cadet rooms, two suites for teachers, and three lavatories. Its basement will contain a bath room and a large room which will probably be used later for Manual Training.

The addition to the Administration Building has been begun, and it will make the mess hall and the study hall each one-half larger and will provide two fine large class rooms on the second floor. This addition will be a thirty-six foot extension of the Administration Building toward the east.

These two improvements are to be completed in time for the opening of the next school year in September.

An addition to the east end of the Drill Hall is planned to be completed during the fall. It will be especially designed as a gymnasium, but will be available for drill purposes also. With the present floor space it will provide an indoor drill ground 50 x 200 feet, one of the largest in the country.

This addition will include a first class swimming pool adjoining the present recreation room.



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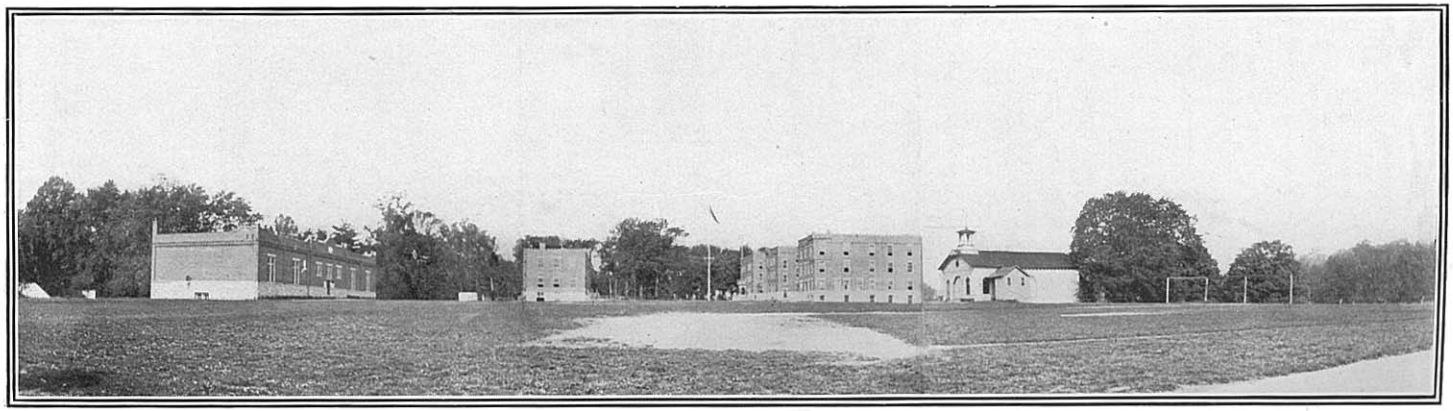

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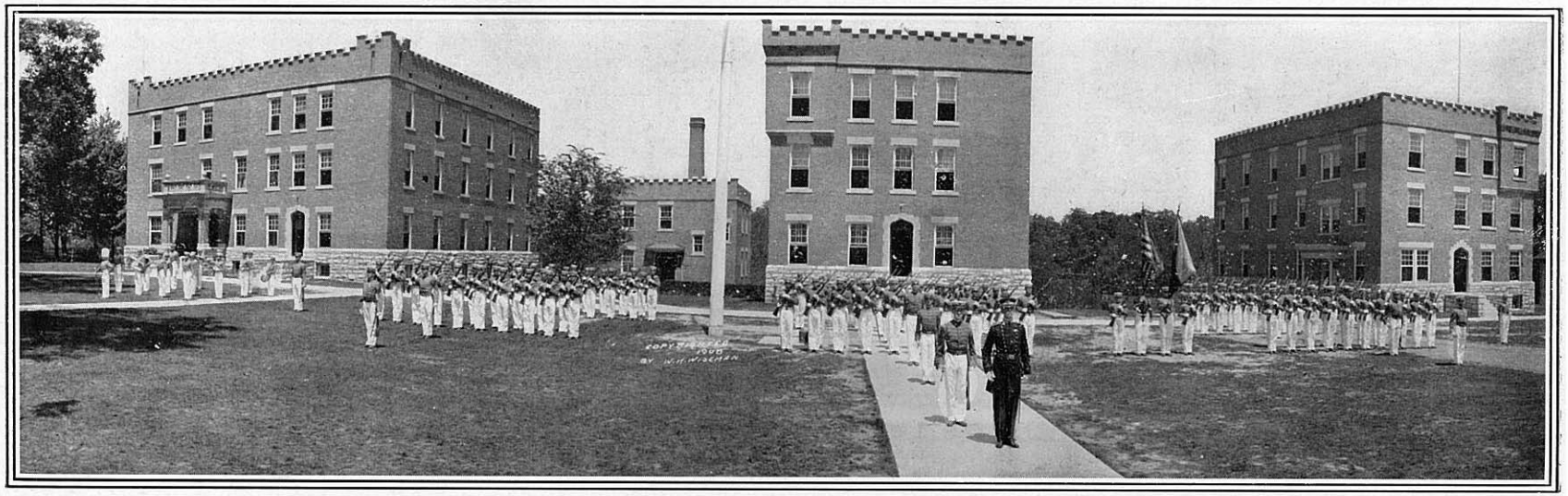
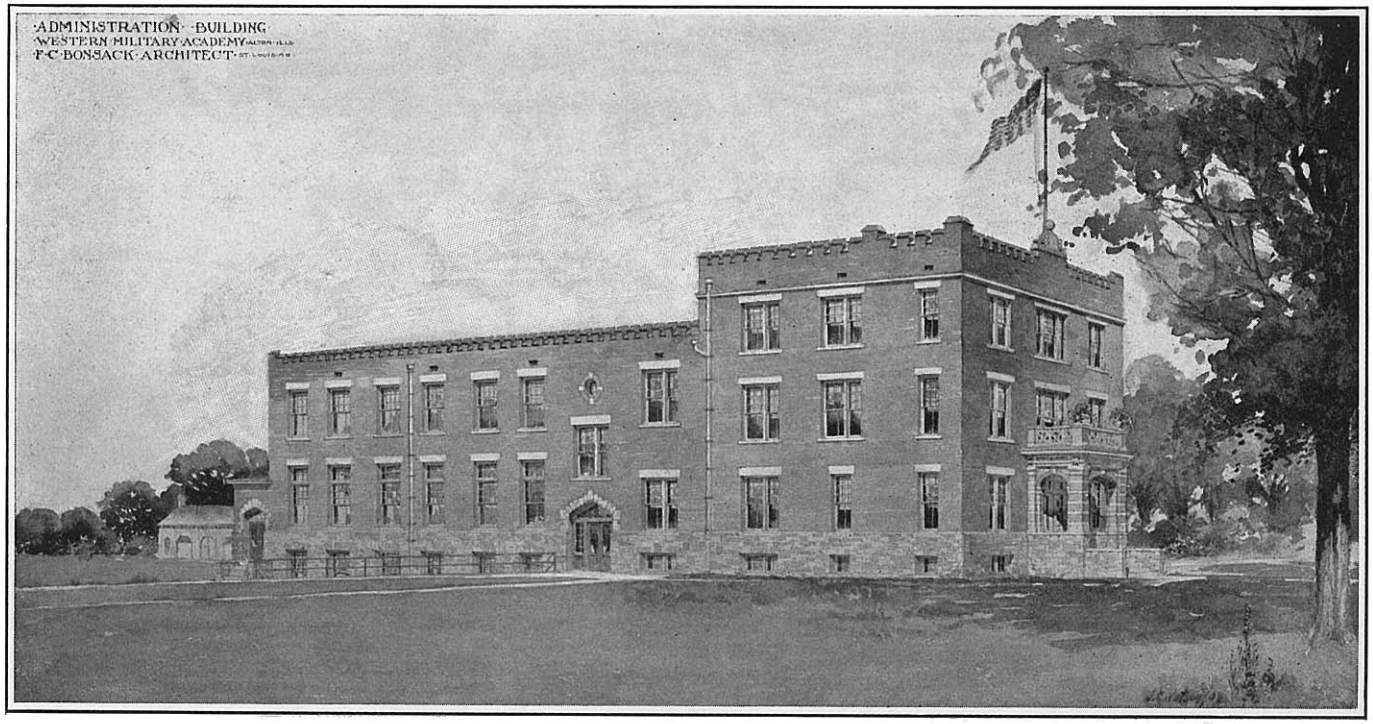


Barracks "A," "B" and "C," Science Building and Battalion of Cadets.



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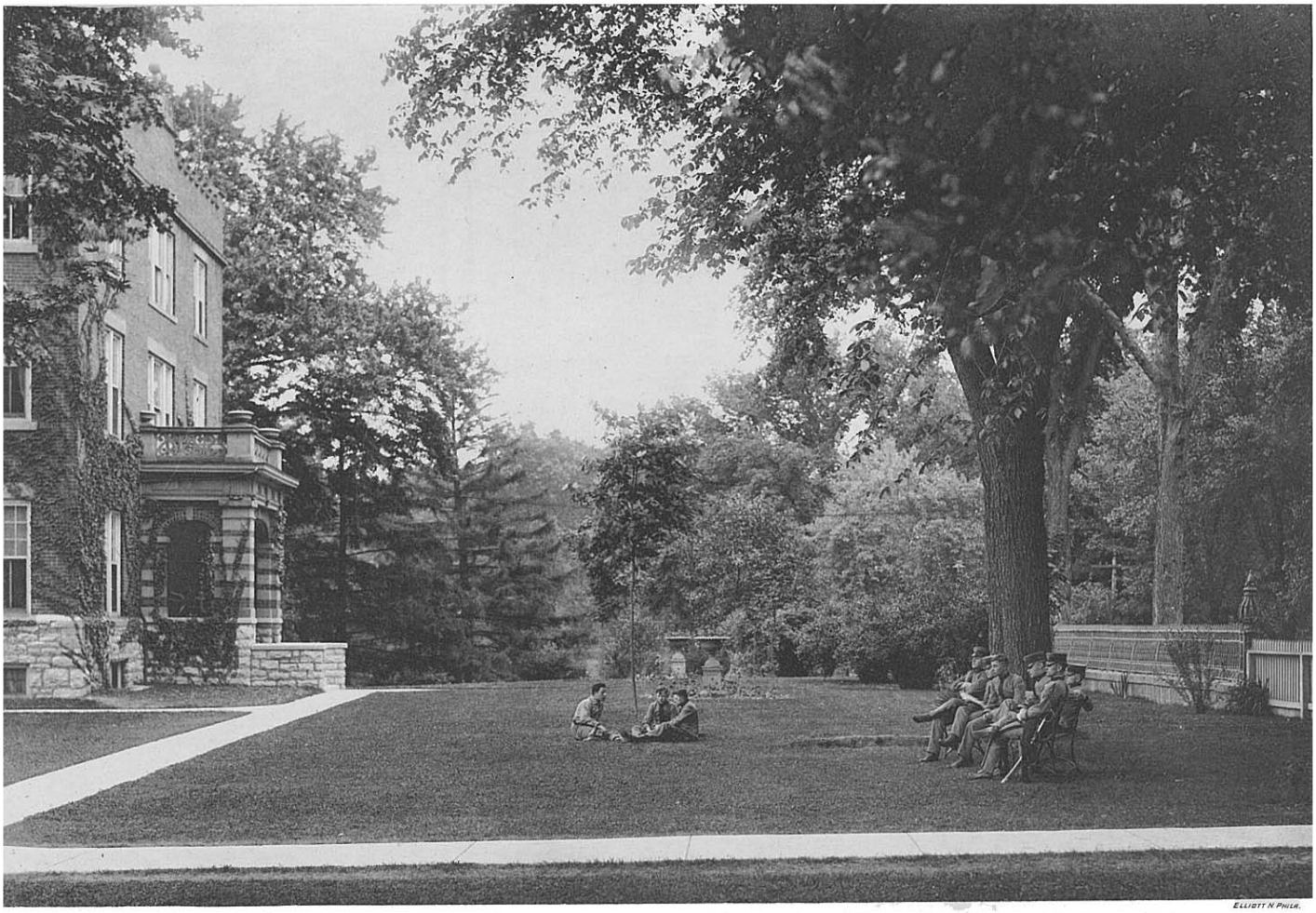

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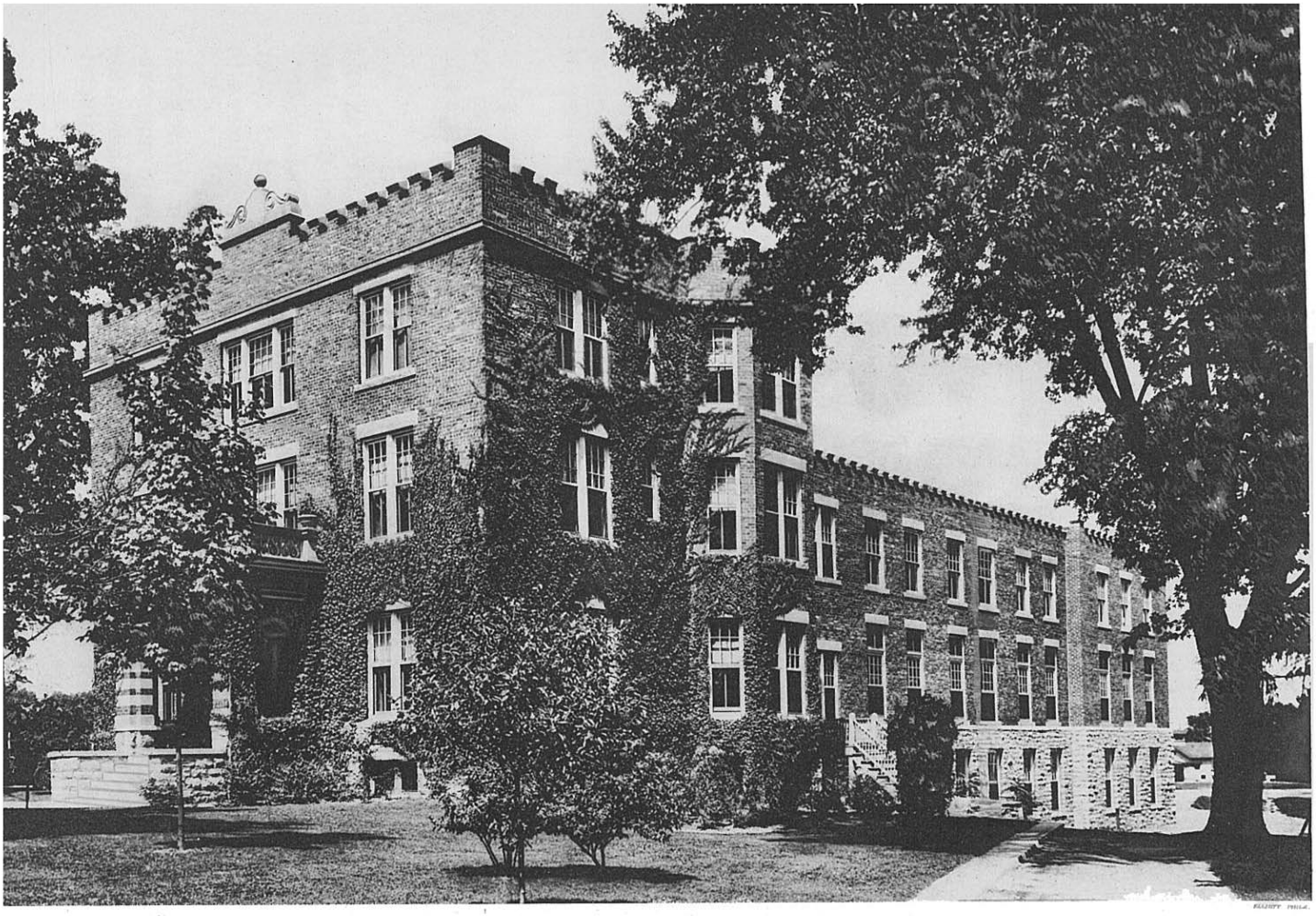

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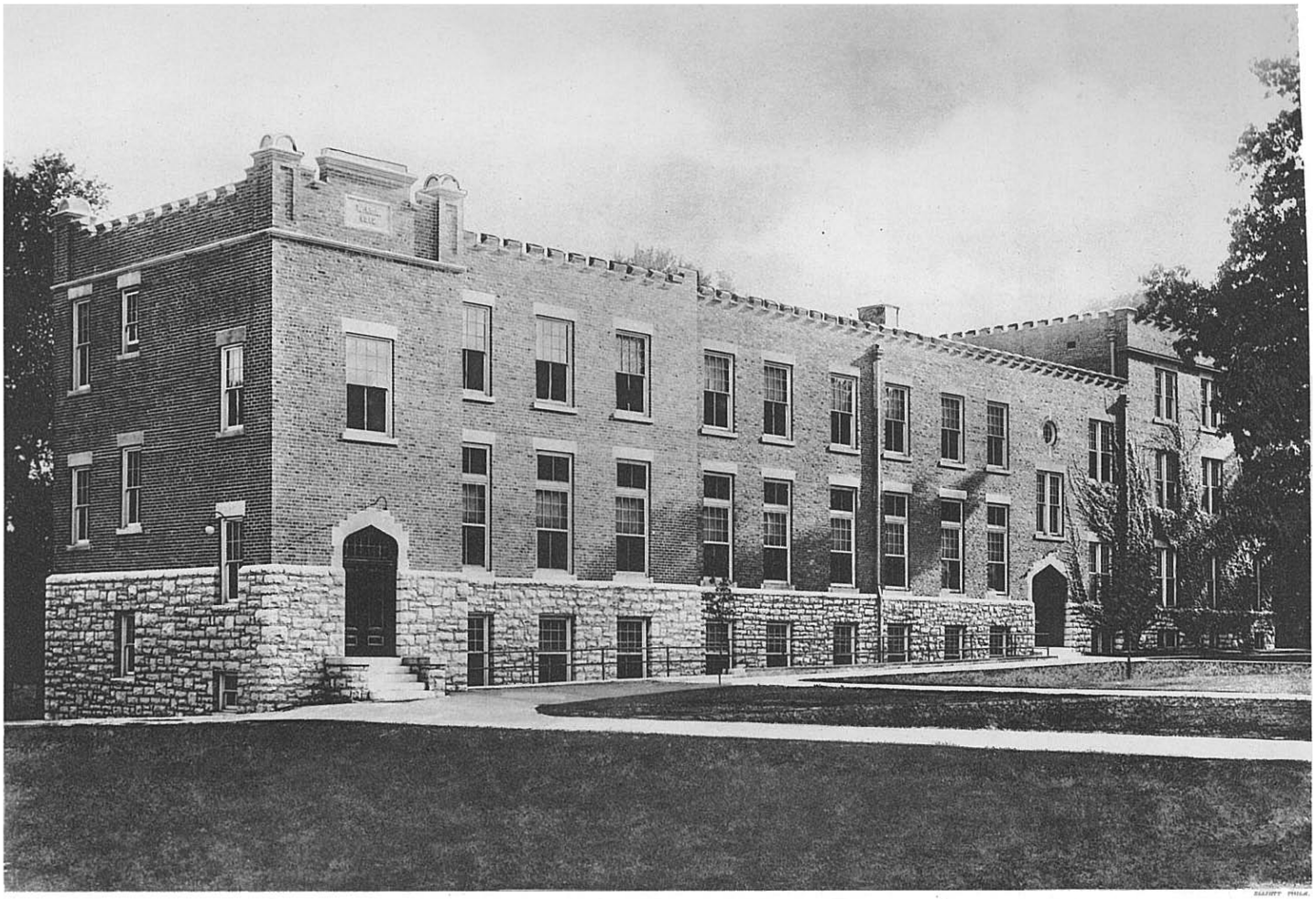

ACADEMIC BUILDING
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BARRACKS A,B,C AND D, AND BATTALION OF CADETS,
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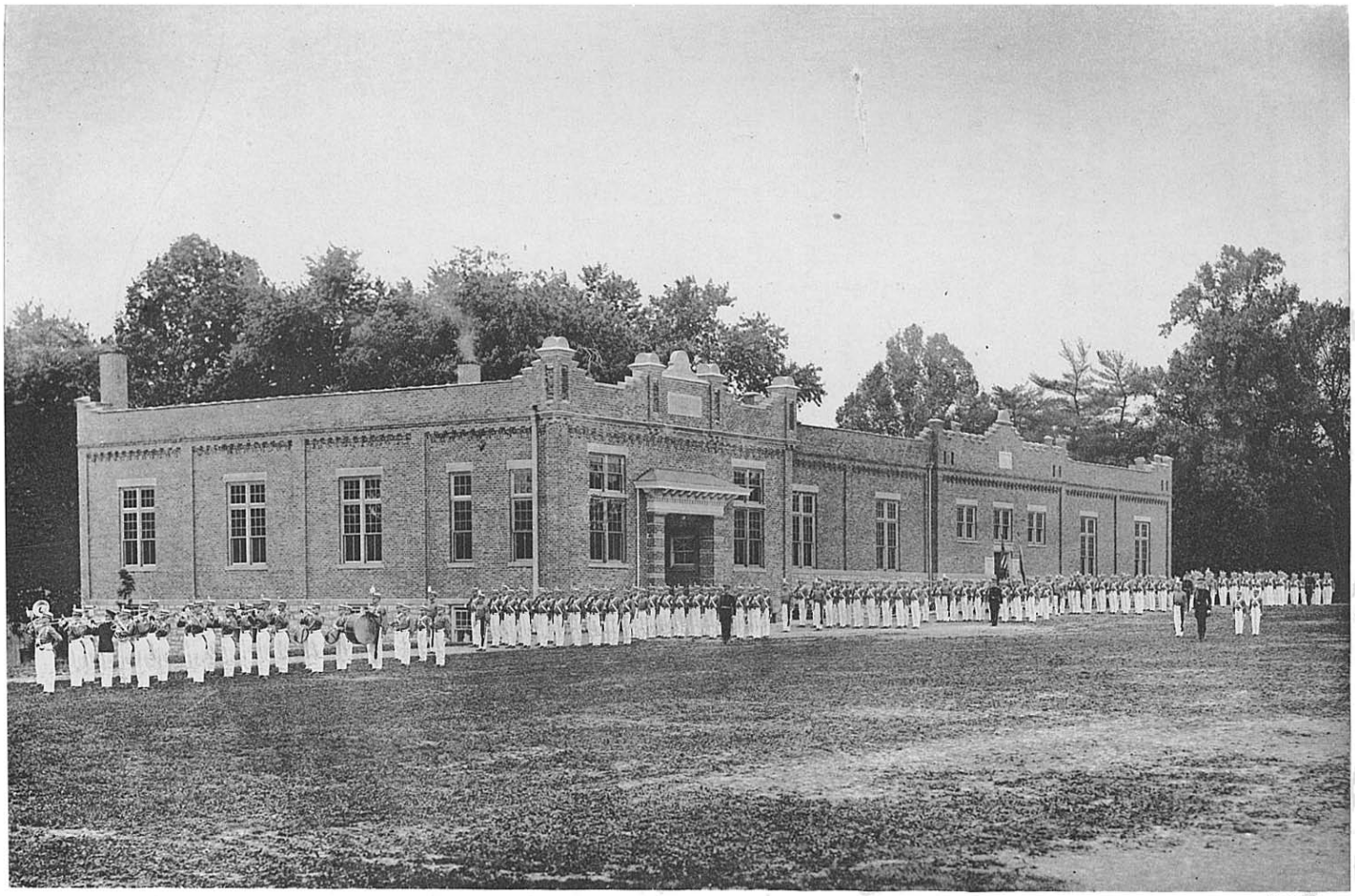

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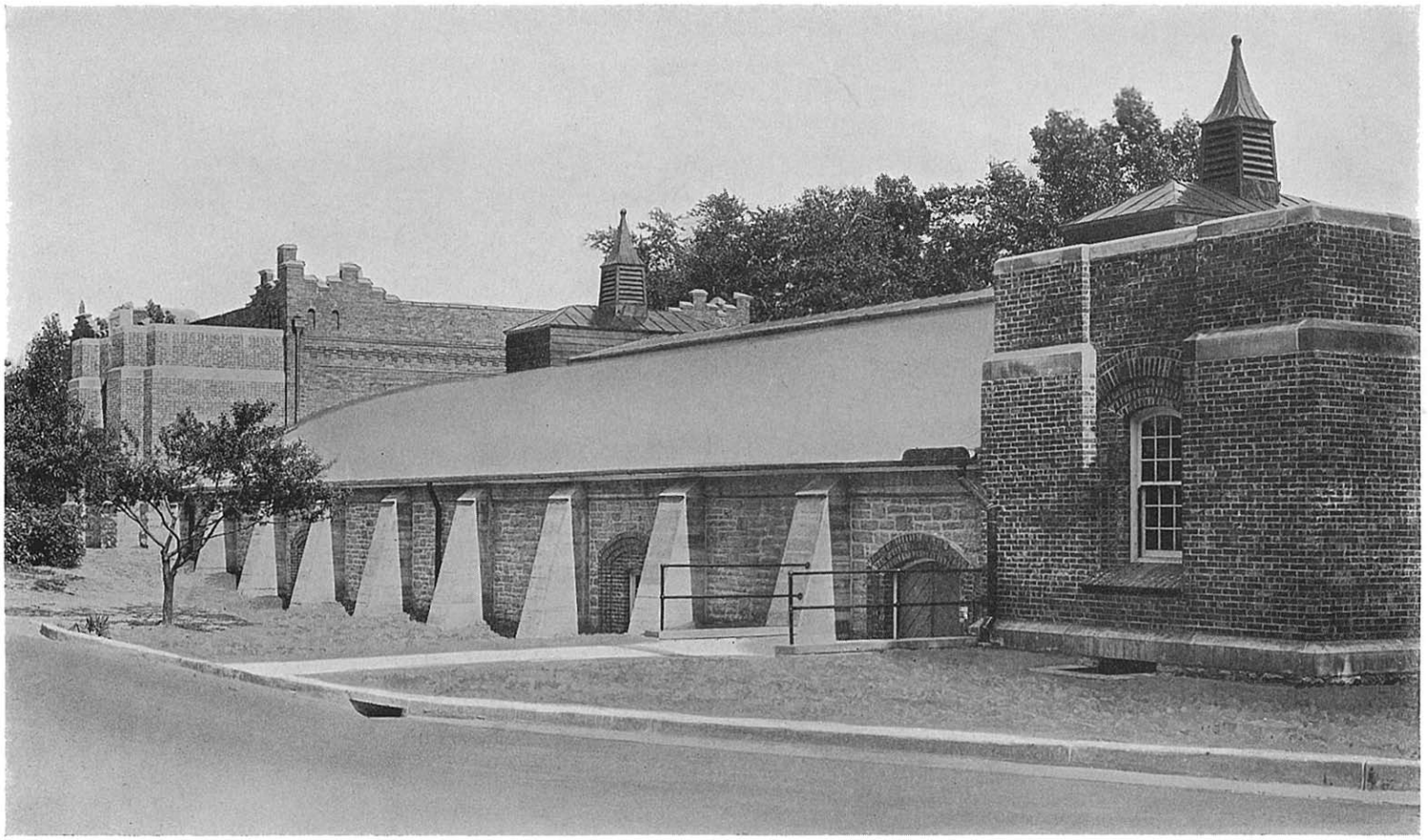


RECREATION BUILDING—STAGE AND WEST ENTRANCE

Executive Officers

COL. R. L. JACKSON
Superintendent

MRS. BERTA KIBBY
Director of Admissions

MAJOR HENDERSON

TO

Major Frank N. Henderson

Commandant of Western

for

Twenty-seven Years

THE SENIOR CLASS OF 1944

Dedicates This Recall

As A Token Of Appreciation

And

Esteem

Major F. N. Henderson is the dean of military school commandants in the Middle West. A graduate of Western, Class '13, his whole life has been identified with the school. His career has been devoted to developing a sense of responsibility, respect for discipline, regard for duty, manhood—in other words, character—in thousands of young men.

The members of the Class of '44 will always remember his counsel and guidance. He knows how to be firm, but fair. He is a square-shooter. He understands our problems, both from the standpoint of a student, for he was once a cadet, and from the standpoint of a father and an executive. He supervises the barracks, the mess hall, and many activities. Major Henderson is the pivot around whom our campus life revolves, and to him the staff of the 1944 RECALL gratefully dedicates this book.

MAJOR PERSING

TO

MAJOR C. L. PERSING

HEADMASTER

THE SENIOR CLASS OF 1945
Dedicates This Recall
As A Token Of Appreciation
For The Inspiration And
Guidance Which He Has Given
To All Cadets During Their
Careers at Western

Long in the memories of the graduates of the Class of 1945 will live the realization that our years at Western were made more pleasant, more industrious, and more beneficial by our headmaster, Major C. L. Persing. Ranking among the top educators of the United States, he has devoted his energies to making cadet life more profitable. Never too busy to give sound advice and wise guidance, he has used his keen and active mind in the service of the student body.

In retrospect, we find that his liberal attitude and school spirit, coupled with his philosophical humor, perpetuate him in our memory.

And so, in fond remembrance, we of the Class of 1945 dedicate this Recall to our beloved headmaster, Major Chester L. Persing.

CAPTAIN W. J. BUCK

To

CAPTAIN W. J. BUCK

Instructor in Languages

Foe of Ignorance

Builder of Character

The Seniors of 1947 dedicate this Recall in grateful appreciation of his long service and inspiring influence.

Now and then it is the privilege of students to come under the guidance of a man whose integrity of character, uncompromising devotion to learning, and dynamic leadership set him apart as a major influence in their development. Such a man is Captain W. J. Buck, for thirty years instructor in Latin and German at Western.

Every senior, every cadet who has entered his classroom realizes that Captain Buck is the sworn enemy of ignorance, laziness, and intellectual indifference. Students will never forget his brisk walk, his finely chiseled face, his philosophy of hard and thorough work. He has endeared himself to thousands of Western graduates.

As a tribute to the man whose sterling qualities have shaped the lives of so many cadets, the Class of 1947 affectionately dedicates this yearbook to Captain W. J. Buck — teacher, scholar, gentleman, and friend!

MAJOR ROBERT E. WILKINSON

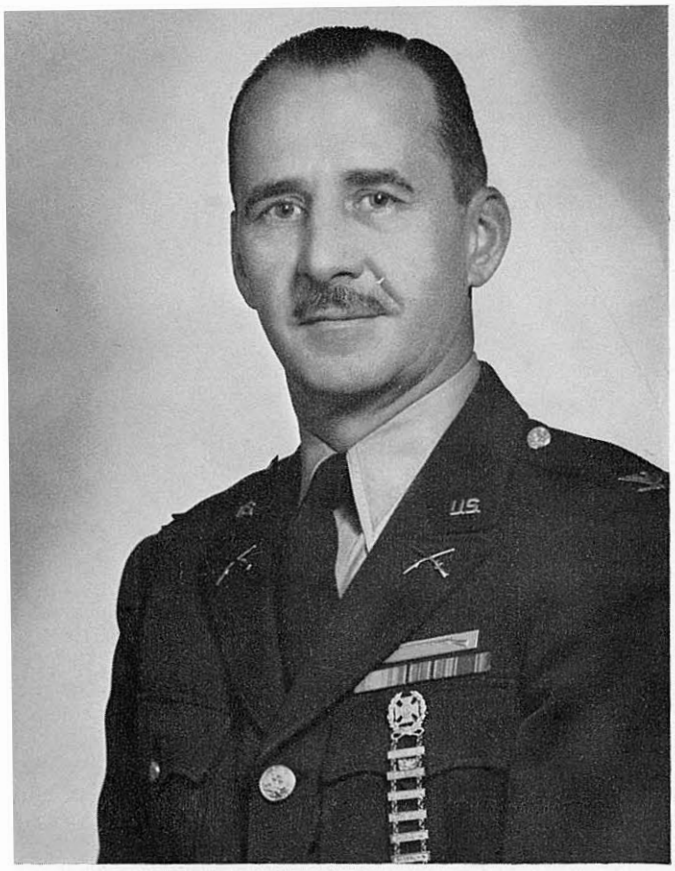
Dedicated To The Memory

of

MAJOR ROBERT E. WILKINSON

1869-1943

The members of the Senior Class dedicate this, the 1943 RECALL, to the memory of Major Robert E. Wilkinson, for forty years a member of the Western faculty and teacher of hundreds of Western cadets. As the senior member of the faculty, he served as field representative, instructor, head of the mathematics department, principal, and Dean of the Faculty. He was admired by his colleagues and respected and loved by the many cadets who came under his kindly influence. We regarded him not only as a teacher but as a counsellor and friend. In dedicating this RECALL to Major Wilkinson, we also dedicate it to the ideals for which he lived and upon which our lives are founded. His memory will live forever, for his good deeds are always before us.



COL. CHARLES H. MOORE
W.M.A. '21

To
Colonel Charles H. Moore
Commandant

The Senior Class of 1954 proudly dedicates this RECALL as a token of appreciation for the inspiration and guidance which he has given to all cadets during their careers at Western.

The members of our class will remember the genuineness, the capability, and the sterling character of Colonel Charles H. Moore long after other memories of cadet life have faded.

Each cadet looked to Colonel Moore as a man who knew the problems of cadets, both from the viewpoint of the Commandant and from the cadets themselves, for he was once a cadet at Western himself. The fact that he was always striving to make every phase of student life more rewarding or enjoyable signified the deep affection that he has for boys and for his own work.

After the Seniors venture forth to carve their own careers, the wise counsel and kindly interest of this granite personality will be greatly missed, but the ideals which he taught and personified will form the foundation upon which a future can be solidly built. And so it is to Colonel Moore that the staff gratefully dedicates this 1954 RECALL.

DEDICATION

TO

CAPTAIN B. C. BRESSON

COACH

TEACHER

FRIEND

The Seniors of 1952
Dedicate This Recall
In Grateful Appreciation Of
His Inspiring Friendship
And Untiring Efforts
In Their Behalf

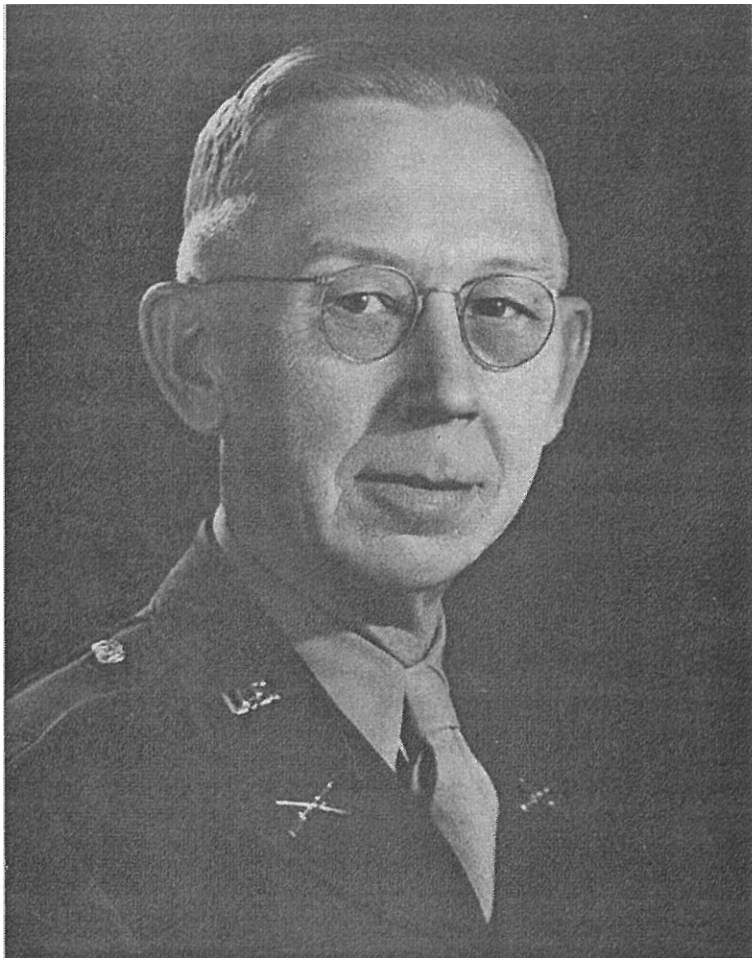
The meeting held to choose the person to whom this 1952 Recall would be dedicated took only about ten minutes. There was no doubt in the minds of the cadets as to the one whom they wished to honor.

Therefore, the Seniors take great pride in dedicating this yearbook to Captain B. C. Bresson, instructor in general science and biology, athletic coach, and friend to every cadet at Western.

Captain Bresson has been on the faculty for eight years. He has attended three universities and has played football at Notre Dame. At Western he has been a successful teacher and an outstanding coach for many teams, and his quiet but forceful personality has been felt in every phase of school life.

All cadets, from the Lower School to Seniors, have a sincere affection for this genial instructor who is behind so much that is good in this school. In addition to his masterful teaching and coaching, Captain Bresson is admired for being a real person. His sincerity, kindness, and guidance have made him beloved by hundreds of cadets who have been on this campus.

The Seniors salute you, Sir. We will never forget all that you have done for us.



TO

Major H. E. Suhre

Instructor in
Mathematics, Commercial Subjects
and Quartermaster

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The Class of 1948
dedicates this "Recall" in appreciation of his long and loyal service to Western Military Academy and the Corps of Cadets.

Major H. E. Suhre is a veteran of thirty years' service on the faculty. The word "service" is correctly used, for it is the keynote of his long career at Western.

As a teacher, as quartermaster in charge of the cadet store, and as field representative of the Academy, Major Suhre has shown a conscientious devotion to duty which has placed the welfare of Western and the Cadet Corps above all other interests. The school to him has always been more than just a place of employment; it has been his very life.

The Class of 1948 is proud to honor a faculty officer whose sterling character and faithfulness have contributed so much through the years to build a better Western. He is a member of the respected and loved "Old Guard" of the staff.

The Seniors salute a man whose loyalty and service are beyond price — Major Suhre!

Major W. G. S. Lowe,
Commandant.

DEDICATION

Keeping secret the dedication of this book was as enormous a job, as the vote for the dedication was unanimous.

The man here portrayed is seen, quite obviously, in situations of concern which he has assumed regularly in the quest for the completion of this book.

We could find no man who has made a deeper impression nor imparted a more propitious attitude upon us. We are grateful for his benevolence, altruism, and patience, without which we could not have published this annual.

The Staff therefore announces the dedication to –

MAJOR WILLIAM MARTIN HINTON

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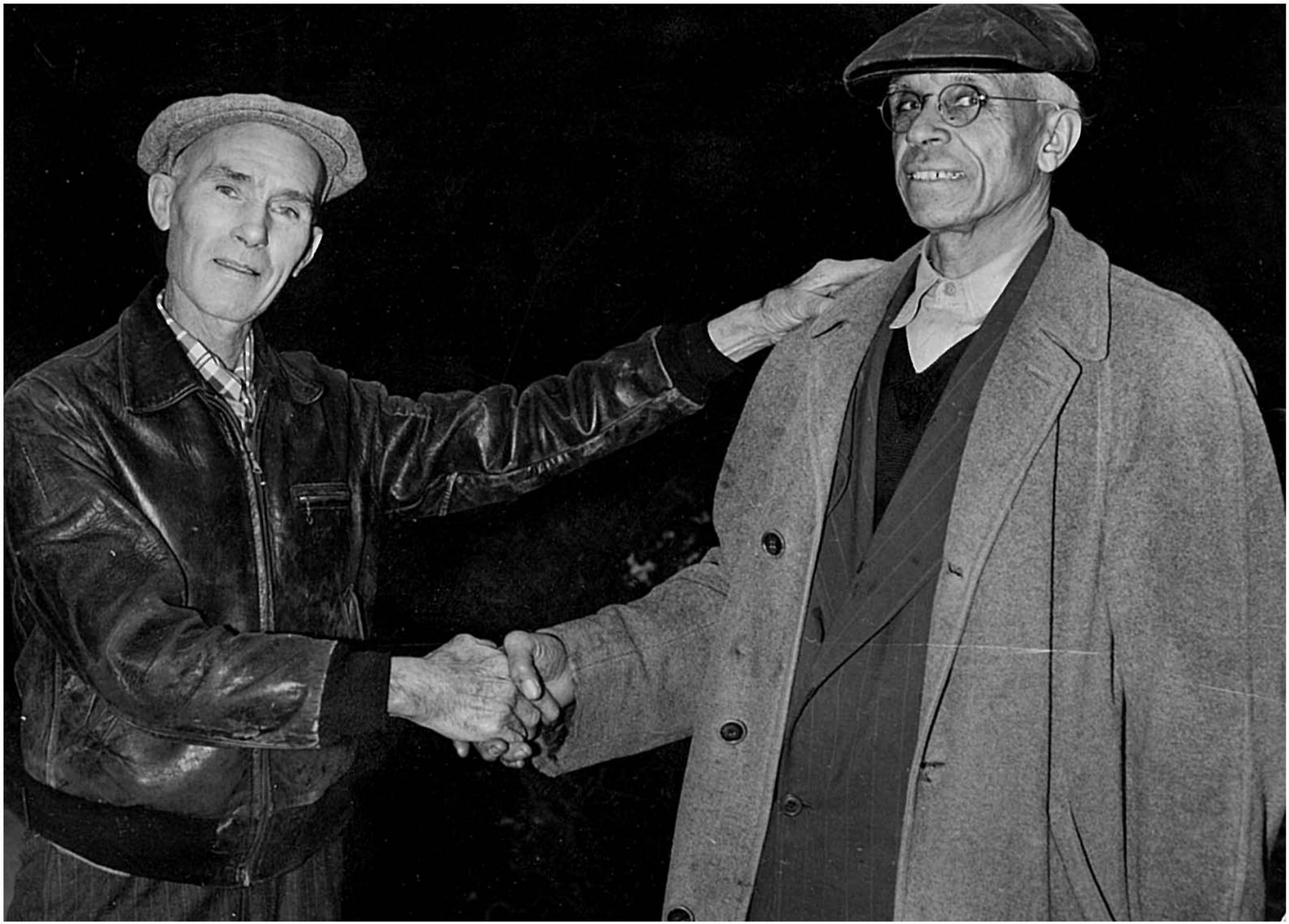

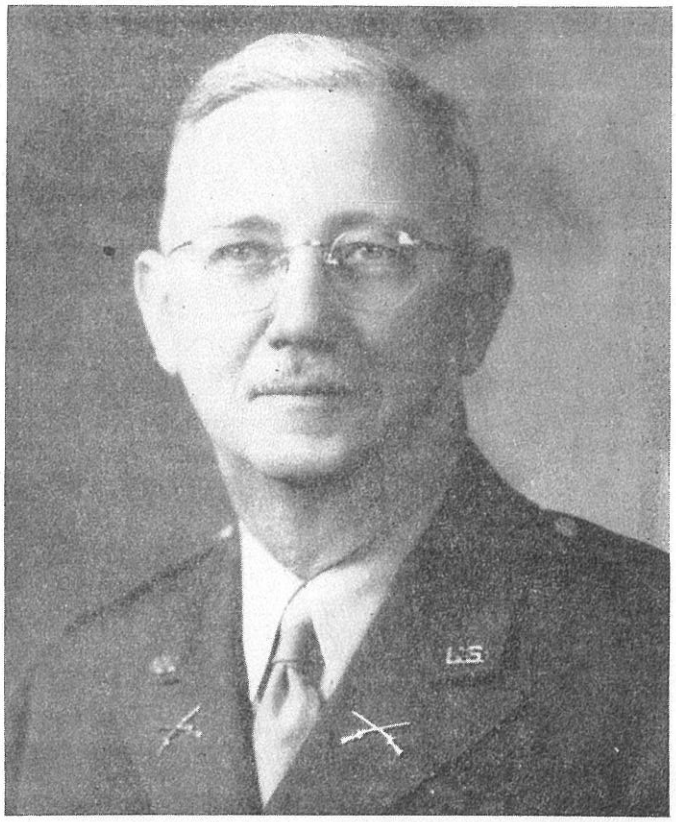

MAJOR HENDERSON

Major F. N. Henderson, Commandant, Resigns After Twenty-seven Years On Western Military Academy Staff

Cadets Are Filled With Regret; Lt. Col. C. H. Moore Named As Successor

Col. R. L. Jackson made a momentous announcement to the corps of cadets at Monday's assembly when he stated that Major F. N. Henderson, Commandant, who has been connected with Western for twenty-seven years, had asked to be relieved of active duty at the end of this school year. The resignation of Major Henderson was a blow to the cadets, who received the news in reverent silence, as Col. Jackson went on to express the sentiments felt by all present. The cadets cannot express in words their sense of loss in the departure of their devoted leader and commandant.

Col. Jackson paid high tribute to Major Henderson's long service and to his influence as a builder of character in Western cadets. He said, "One thing that all of you must learn is that for honest money that you receive you must give full value in loyal service. For twenty-seven years Ma- hope that my successor can point to the same sort of devoted service that Major Henderson has given," he asserted. The Colonel went on to say that Major Henderson's ideals and influence would still be felt and that their friendship would continue.

Major Henderson has a home on Gull Lake, Michigan, near Battle Creek. He says that he is going to rest for a while, do some fishing and gardening, and then he may accept another position in school work where the duties will not be so strenuous or exacting.

Col. Moore, New Commandant

Col. Jackson declared before leaving the platform that "we must look to the future." He then announced that the commandant who would succeed Major Henderson will be Lieut. Col. C. H. Moore, former P. M. S. and T. at Western, and now on active duty with the U. S. Army as Director of Supply at Camp Ellis, Ill. The cadets received this announcement with surprise and gratification. They felt that Col. Moore is the man who can follow in Major Henderson's footsteps

Col. F. N. Henderson, Once Commandant, Dies At Son's Home

His Death Ends 42 Years Of Service To Youth; 28 Years Were Spent At Western M. A.

Col. Frank N. Henderson, Class '13, died last Wednesday night, May 18, in Louisville, Ky., at the age of 63. He was connected with Western for 28 years as Assistant Commandant and Commandant until 1945. Before that he had been Commandant at Missouri Military Academy and head of the Missouri State Boys' School at Boonville.

After leaving Western, Col. Henderson was with the Starr Commonwealth School in Michigan, and for the past six years he had been president of the Trail Rangers Boys' School near Grafton, Illinois.

Family With Him At End

When he retired last February from the Trail Rangers because of ill health, he had completed 42 years of work with youth and boys. He was known as an outstanding youth leader.

Col Henderson died at the home of his son, John, in Louisville, where he had gone to spend his few remaining months. His son, George, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was also there at the time of his death. Col. Henderson had been in a coma for the last few days before his death.

Outstanding Youth Leader

Col. Henderson was born in Joplin, Mo., Sept. 2, 1891, and graduated from Western in 1913. It was while serving on the W. M. A. staff that he met Miss Mary Dickinson, also on the Academy faculty, and married her. She has actively shared in his work with boys all through the years. Col. Henderson is survived by his wife, his son, George, Class '35, his wife and their two children (a boy and a girl), and by his son, John, '37, his wife and their five daughters. Some brothers and sisters also survive.

Col. Henderson and his wife were greatly loved and respected during their 28 years at Western. He was an outstanding commandant. The dedication of the 1944 "Recall" to him stated: "His career has been devoted to developing a sense of responsibility, respect for discipline, regard for duty, manhood—in other words, character—in thousands of young men. He knows how to be firm, but fair. He

MRS. F. N. HENDERSON, AT WESTERN TILL 1945, DIES IN LOUISVILLE

As we go to press, news has been received that Mrs. F. N. Henderson, wife of former commandant, the late Col. Henderson, and mother of two Western grads, died in Louisville, Ky., on April 12. Thus another fine person, who contributed so much to the Academy and cadet life, has passed on. Funeral services were held in Louisville on April 14, but at this time no details are known.

Mrs. Henderson was the wife of the late Col. Frank Henderson, W.M.A. '13, who was for so many years the loved and respected commandant here. Before that, he was commandant at Missouri Military Academy. She is the mother of two W.M.A. grads, both outstanding cadets, George Henderson, '35, who lives at 2618 Portland Ave., Charlotte, N. C., and is in charge of the television station WSOC, and John Henderson, '37, a successful business man, who lives at 7604 Devondale Court, Louisville, Ky. These sons, their wives, and several grandchildren survive.

Recently Mrs. Henderson had been in a nursing home in Louisville, but was still active in many affairs and even wrote poetry and kept in touch with events.

She was a woman of great ability and force of character. A graduate of Boston University and a student at the University of Chicago, she played a vital role in Western life. She taught speech and English here. For 28 years she was social director and dramatic coach. She directed many outstanding plays.

In 1945, Col. Henderson resigned as commandant, and he and his wife then headed boys' schools in Jackson, Mich., and Grafton, Ill., until his death several years ago. Both of them were devoted to Western and cadet interests and are affectionately remembered by all cadets of their time.

Thus another great lady who helped make Western what it is today has passed from this earthly scene. Her life was an important contribution to the Academy's history.

MAJOR R. E. WILKINSON
Who Resigned From Staff

Major Wilkinson Resigns From Staff After Long Career

He Has Served Western For 42 Years As Teacher And Dean Of Faculty

Major Robert E. Wilkinson, for 42 years a member of the faculty at Western, has announced his resignation for the coming year. He stated that his health would not permit the continuing of his work as instructor in mathematics, though he may perform other duties.

Major Wilkinson achieved a notable career in education at Western. Though he graduated in law from the University of Missouri, teaching became his profession. He joined the faculty when the late Col. A. M. Jackson was the head of the school and was associated for many years with him and the late Col. George D. Eaton.

Has Notable Record

During his 42 years at Western, Major Wilkinson taught mathematics, and became principal, and then dean of the faculty. He represented the school most successfully in the summer in the southwest territory of Missouri, Arkansas, and Oklahoma, and, according to Col. Jackson, has enrolled more new cadets than any other man ever connected with the school. His sincerity, his pleasing personality, and his genial love of meeting people always made him welcome in any home.

Major Wilkinson is always proud of the fact that for 42 years he achieved a perfect record for attendance and punctuality. Whether it was meeting

Cadets And Faculty Attend Funeral Of Maj. R. E. Wilkinson

Many Honors Accorded Man Who Served Western For 40 Years

Major Robert E. Wilkinson, for forty years a member of the Western faculty, was buried last Thursday at Arcadia, Mo. His funeral was held Thursday morning at the College Avenue Presbyterian Church at eleven o'clock. The services were attended by faculty and the cadet corps, in addition to a large number of Alton friends. It was impossible to get all of the cadets into the church, though the balcony was also used, and some had to stand in the foyer.

Many honors were paid to Major Wilkinson by friends and the press for his long and useful life as an educator. The "Alton Telegraph" stated that he was devoted "to his family, his profession, and his church." That paper summed up his career, as follows:

Major Wilkinson was born in Franklin County, Missiouri, in 1869, attended the elementary schools there, and later went to the Central Missouri State Teachers College at Warrensburg. He became superintendent of schools successively at Sarcoxie and Bethany, Mo. He then graduated in law from the University of Missouri but returned to teaching as superintendent of schools at Ironton, Mo. Before coming to Western in 1904, he taught at the Missouri Military Academy, Mexico, Mo.

His service at Western as instructor in mathematics, principal, dean of the faculty, and representative of the school in the southwest during summer months, was described last week in the "Shrapnel."

In Alton community life, Major Wilkinson was a member of the school board in Upper Alton from 1910 to 1912, when that section was a separate town. He was a member of the Alton Board of Education in 1917-19. He was an elder of the College Avenue Presbyterian Church and served as chairman of the finance committee in 1926 when the present building was erected. He also had been superintendent of the Sunday School. He belonged to the Franklin Masonic Lodge.

Major Wilkinson is survived by his wife, Mrs. Maude Fletcher Wilkinson; a daughter, Miss Helen Wilkinson,

"So You Think You Have Troubles," Colonel Moore Tells Business Men

Nearly 200 members of the Upper Alton Business Men's Association and their wives heard Col. Charles H. Moore address their annual dinner meeting on the evening of February 4.

Col. Moore entertained his audience with a speech entitled "So You Think You Have Troubles" in which he recounted a number of the humorous, sometimes vexing, and often heartwarming experiences in his position as commandant of one of the nation's major military schools.

Mr. Herman W. Wilkening, chairman of the Upper Alton Council,, in thanking Western's Commandant said, "It is a pleasure to have had a part in arranging a program that was so wholeheartedly accepted by the audience. This was made possible only because of the fine expression made by you in your assignment as speaker.

Col. Moore is in great demand as a speaker at service, professional, and business men's meetings. In addition to his entertaining lectures on a variety of subjects. the Colonel often gives an exciting demonstration on the use of numerous weapons from his well-known collection.

No Wonder Cadet Pranks Are Detected! The Commandant Was A Cadet Once Too!

"Battalion! Ten-shun!" It would be interesting to know just how many times that Major Henderson has given or heard that command since he has been at Western. Intermittently since 1908, when he entered Western as a cadet, has the Major experienced the thrill of seeing the battalion simultaneously come to attention and then perform some maneuver. Major Henderson has not always been on the issuing end of the orders and that explains how he knows so well where to find any slight mischief among the cadets.

Major Henderson made an excellent record as a cadet here after enrolling in 1908. When he arrived, the academy consisted of three barracks, and administration building and field house. Table supervision by cadet officers was unheard of—the faculty performed that task.

In place of the light, airy barber shop in the administration building, Ed Hall cut the cadets' hair in a room in the basement of "C" barracks. Dances were held then as now, but dates arrived at Washington Avenue or College Avenue and the commissioned officers met them and escorted them to the academy by kerosene lamps. Graduating in 1912, the Major returned two years later for two years as assistant commandant.

Missouri Military Academy next secured the services of the Major for eight years and then he left there to put the Missouri State Reformatory on a sound basis. At this time he was a Colonel on the staff of the governor of Missouri.

The post of Commandant at Western was open in 1926 and Major Henderson returned to his Alma Mater to fill the position in which so many cadets have known him. As Commandant he was instrumental in getting Western put on the Honor List of military schools and keeping it there by keeping the cadet corps at a high standard of military discipline.

Major Henderson has two hobbies, his sons and his guns. The former were reared with the same discipline that is so famous about the Major and it is not surprising that one son should have graduated and another is now a senior at Western with high honors. While the guns in the Major's collection may be antiques, they are unique in that they are all but a few in working order. As soon as he secures a new piece, he places it in firing order and at present has a collection of over two hundred pieces to which he is constantly adding. His other collections include stamps and rare coins and he has rare specimens of each. For diversion in the summer he goes to Gull Lake, Michigan, where he fishes most of the time but never so much that he has not time to help out some of the cadets at the summer camp nearby.

Col. Moore Forced To Ban Live Pets In Cadets' Rooms

Col. Moore has a real sense of humor, even when issuing a special order. Since the Science Fair, so many live pets have taken up their abode in the barracks that they have become somewhat of a problem. Col. Moore never knew what to expect when he entered a cadet room.

Hence on May 9, 1955, he issued the following order:

Special Order
No. 50

1. I appreciate that kindness to animals is a fine human quality. However, on today's barracks inspection I had the following experiences:
   a. Hissed at by snakes.
   b. Spit at by lizards.
   c. Squealed at by mice.
   d. Ignored by ducks and insulted by pigeons.
2. Effective at 1700 hours this date, all wild life must be removed from the barracks living quarters.

C. H. MOORE
Colonel, Inf. USAR
Commandant

The snakes, lizards, mice, toads, ducks, pigeons, and other creatures will now probably find new quarters in the biology lab.

Sanditen's two pet rats seem to be quite friendly to people, only you have to watch out sometimes for the white one.

Trost also has some friendly pets, but they are small and are called "gerbils".

Instructions Given To Mess Chiefs And Waiters On Duties

Col. Jackson and Col. Moore want meals in the mess hall to be enjoyable. The school has made every effort to provide good food, even in these times of shortages. The mess hall should be a place of relaxation, pleasant conversation, and good food. It should not be a place of boisterousness, greediness, or rudeness.

Mrs. Green, as all can testify, does her best to keep the mess hall at top efficiency. In order to insure the merited cooperation of cadets, Col. Moore published the following memoranda concerning conduct in the mess hall:

The Mess Chief

1. The Mess Chief must be an example to those under his authority. The easiest way to teach good manners at the table is by the example you, yourself, set. Here are some of the things to watch:
   a. Proper method of holding silver
   b. How to cut meat
   c. Not to spread and eat a whole slice of bread at once
   d. Noisy eating
   e. Placing dirty silver on the table cloth
   f. Good posture at the table
2. The Mess Chief will serve the food on the plates, thus seeing that each boy gets an equal share. The boys must clean their plates and drink their milk—so this first serving should be moderate. The seconds may be passed.
3. Each Mess Chief is responsible for the cleanliness of the table linens on his table. Some accidents are unavoidable, but they should be reported to the dietitian in order that she will not report a table for carelessness.
4. The Mess Chief should hold down any loud talk and laughter at his table. If everyone in the Mess Hall would speak in moderate conversational tones, we would find a great difference in the noise and confusion. Encourage pleasant conversation and allow no bickering at the table. Try to repress those who want to talk all the time, and, at the same time, encourage timid boys to enter into the conversation.
5. The Mess Chiefs are the dietitian's best salesman. The boys are going to watch your attitude toward the food. Talk up any new dishes that are served. Report any justifiable complaints to the dietitian and immediately discourage any unfair criticisms. The boys at Western are getting the best meats, fruits, vegetables and desserts—this fact should be stressed by the Mess Chiefs.
6. The Mess Chiefs are responsible for the neatness of the cadets at their tables. Be sure to check on fingernails, dirty hands, uncombed hair, etc.
7. Any misdemeanors are to be reported to the Commandant by the Mess Chiefs. In no case will the Mess Chief impose any penalty on the cadet involved.

Cadet Waiters

The following are instructions for cadets waiting on tables in the dining room, effective immediately:

1. Cadet waiters must be in the mess hall by 6:15 A. M. They will eat their breakfast and then set up their tables. A schedule will be maintained by the senior waiter of those who are to remain after breakfast and assist in cleaning and sweeping. All waiters will remain and wash ther trays and clean their tray stands.
2. Waiters will report 25 minutes before time for lunch and at 5:30 in the evening, their duties at these times will be as outlined in paragraph 1, above.
3. In placing food on the table, it will be placed in front of the head and foot of the mess table, who will serve the cadets individually.

Waiters must exercise care that filled dishes are not piled one on top of the other when bringing them into the mess hall.

4. Waiters must give particular care to their personal appearance—nails clean, hair cut short and combed, freshly shaved, coat clean.
5. Stacking of dishes by cadets at the table will not be permitted.
6. Waiters will **remain in the kitchen** until the Cadet Corps is seated.

All serving must be done **without** hurrying.

Waiters will **not** leave the mess hall until after the Corps has been marched out.

C. H. MOORE
Colonel, Inf-R.
Commandant

Autumn came in officially last week. Leaves are beginning to fall. The days are still sunny; the nights cool.

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Col. Moore Will Not Tolerate Profanity

Col. Moore's talks to cadets during the first week dealt with many things of interest to cadets—history and traditions of Western, regulations, etc.

One of his talks was about profanity. He said that profanity is often the sign of growing pains in a boy, who use it "to feel a little more grown up." However, he said that it is needless and thoughtless and indicates a lack of vocabulary. He said that he would not tolerate profanity and that he would rather abolish it by appealing to good judgement than by punishment.

Col. Moore has placed posters on bulletin boards dealing with profanity. He closed with this little poem:

Boy, with your language be concerned,
Give it thought and care.
Speech is something to be learned,
But any fool can swear.

Firing Of Infantry Weapons Is Shown By Colonel Moore

On October 22, instead of the usual drill period, Lt. Col. Moore gave a firing demonstration with several infantry weapons for cadets not on furlough.

One example of Col. Moore's fine shooting ability was the tossing of a light bulb into the air and breaking it with a shot from a Colt 45. He fired the M-1 (or Garand) and the Springfield rifle to show the relative speed of each. He also fired the M-1 holding it out to one side to prove that it had a very slight recoil.

After firing the B. A. R. (automatic rifle) both automatically and semi-automatically, he showed Shaffer, S. that the barrel was hot though only 40 shots had been fired.

Col. Moore shot the M-1 into a can full of water, exploding it, and amazing the cadets by blowing a hole eight inches in diameter where the bullet came out. This demonstrated alaw of physics.

Col. Moore fired the .30 calibre heavy machine gun on the tripod and also from the special anti-aircraft mount. The demonstration ended with Jackson, T. firing the M-1 and Vosburgh firing the Springfield. Jackson finished his clip of eight cartridges while Vosburgh still had to fire three of his original clip of five.

Poet Discovered At Western In Col. C. H. Moore

By Charles Forsberg

In a recent chapel speech, Col. C. H. Moore, Commandant, revealed himself as an able poet. He really wanted to give advice to all cadets about conduct during the closing days of school. He expressed confidence in the Senior Class's ability to stage an excellent commencement and also the fervent hope that no cadets would get into trouble by breaking school regulations.

He then read a short poem to the corps. This poem, though perhaps not as melodious as "The Raven", nor as gallant as "The Iliad", nor as profound as Emerson's writings, was well received by the cadets. They were familiar with the humorous allusions made to individuals. Outsiders may not understand the references, but they can get a glimpse of the hectic life that a Commandant leads. The poem is labeled "The Commandant's Prayer".

Now I lay me down to sleep;
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.
If I should die before I wake,
Some things undone will make me quake.

Lord, help Rothberg to break into a smile.
Then there's the Milk Wagon in a drag for the mile.
There are many things on which you can bet;
In fact, Wes Friedman may get caught yet.

Help Forsberg to win a coveted award—
The Nobel Peace Prize, no less, Dear Lord.
Help Harry Cohn to dress and shine his shoes,
And wake up Carter from his long snooze.

Then there's Lopez and Greer, both large and small,
And Jaeger telling Spisarczuk to get on the ball.
Sylvester and Sexton, in quiet refrain,
Ready to fire the Gun with might and main.

Keep the two "K's" away from trouble if you can,
For King and Kinney might be at it again.
Then there's George Burnham, with ladies in bowers;
He can tell Blankenship of birds, bees, and flowers.

O Lord, give me strength, I will need it you know.
According to 312 calendars, we have eleven days to go.

LOST—A GIRL BELONGING TO A SILVER SLIPPER

Once there was a girl named Cinderella, who left a dance in haste and dropped her little slipper on the stairs. Prince Charming found the slipper and went all over the country seeking the lovely little miss whom it would fit. He did find her, and they lived happily ever after.

Another Cinderella search took place at the dance Saturday night. Some girl lost a silver evening slipper on the walk, perhaps as she was going to the dance and was wearing her regular shoes to keep from soiling her dancing pumps on the wet pavement. Col. Moore was seen going around, slipper in hand, peeping at feet, trying to find the owner. A dozen cadets volunteered to carry on the search. Alas, Cinderella of the silver slipper was never found. Col. Moore still has the little shoe. If the owner does not claim it, Schenberg will organize a Prince Charming Club and will systematically comb St. Louis and Alton for the girl who belongs to the slipper.

TO A SHOELESS SIREN

Penned upon seeing a Monti girl, minus shoes, dancing in the Field House last Saturday. (Humble apologies to Whittier.)

Blessings on thee, barefoot girl,
In the dance's giddy whirl!
With thy nimble, unshod feet,
Cutting capers, cute and neat,
And thy red lips, redder still,
From the lip-stick, used with skill,
Dainty figure, full of grace,
As thou tread'st the merry pace—
To my heart thou bringest joy,
After all, I am a boy!
Thou hast more than one can buy,
Silken cheek and sparkling eye;
Blessings on thee shoeless sprite,
Dream of beauty and delight!

Woes Of The Life Of A Commandant

It's all in the life of a commandant.

Last Monday night! Col. Moore gets frantic 'phone call at Col. McMillin's: "Colonel, Goodwin has locked Doder into handcuffs that are being used in the senior play and has broken the key in the lock. What are we to do?"

Col. Moore hurries to office. Doder, worried and sweating, is securely handcuffed in bracelets borrowed from the St. Louis Police Department. A group stands around helplessly.

Alton police are called. They say they will keep the prisoner but can't free him, as they use different handcuffs. Col. Moore runs for his box of gun tools. "This is really a new one," he muses.

With his trusty hack saw the Colonel saws the chain in two, but Doder still has a steel bracelet on each wrist, and the wrists are beginning to swell.

Next scene—the hobby shop, with Col. Moore, Capt. Gary, Capt. Aller, Lieut. Jackson, the nightwatchman, and four dogs surrounding Doder.

Doder's wrist is clamped in a vice. Col. Moore saws on the cuff. It begins to heat up. Asbestos is slipped beneath.

Lieut. Jackson then fetches an electric drill; Capt. Gary brings a bucket of water. Soon the drill is biting into the lock. Doder perspires. Capt. Gary pours on water, spilling it into Col. Moore's shoes. The cuff gets hotter. Doder gets hotter. Col. Moore is really hot.

At 11:00 P. M., after drilling four holes in the cuffs and sawing through one of them, Col. Moore frees Doder from the shackles. The handcuffs can never be used again, but Goodwin and Doder have agreed to buy the Police Department a new pair.

The Commandant goes to his quarters mumbling, "What next?" Doder retires, feeling released from a life sentence.

Maj. Moore Invents Devices To Use On Infantry Weapons

Major Charles Moore has recently invented attachments which enable Western to be the only school in the country which has all weapons sub-calibred so that they can be used on a miniature scale.

The plan he uses is, as follows: A sloping sand table has been constructed with villages, railroad tracks, battlefields, etc., placed thereon. The scene is made more realistic by placing small "dime-store" tanks and soldiers upon it. This terrain can be used for target practice. The 37 mm. gun has a commercial air rifle mounted upon it by means of brackets and fire is conducted by using this rifle. The trench mortar has a rifle barrel fastened to it, and it will fire a lead ball by means of 22 blank cartridges at a high angle toward the target. A 22 pistol is fastened to the machine guns. It fires explosive cartridges at a target on steel plates and upon impact the bullet explodes thus showing the gunner his line of fire.

These regular infantry weapons are all aimed in the regular manner and cadets can get practice in setting sights and in handling the guns. The smaller weapons have proved to be very accurate.

The government inspectors were very much interested in Major Moore's experiments and asked for all data on the modified weapons. The junior class aided Major Moore in making his demonstration.

Pictures, specifications, and a description of the uses or these devices have been forwarded to the War Department. Western should feel proud of the fact that Major Moore's inventive turn of mind has given the school a type of weapons for practice not available elsewhere.

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Next Saturday or Sunday Major Moore plans to take several cadets to the new rifle range to fire the .30 caliber rifle. It will be a new experience for many of them.

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Webb beat Major Moore at trap-shooting last week.

Col. Moore Makes Speech In Chapel On Cadet Morale

By Goldsmith

On Friday evening, October 27, Col. Moore, Commandant, made a talk in the chapel on the morale of the cadet corps. His speech was prompted by a conversation that he overheard among some cadets.

Col. Moore stated that teen-agers today do face serious prblems, but that their reputation has not been tarnished. He said that publicity in newspapers, on radio, and on T.V. dwells upon the sensational such as the activities of the "hippies", but that should not give youth a bad name. Many times the person who behaves himself, studies hard, and does what he is supposed to do is overlooked by the public eye. This is not right, but that is the way it is. Which is the more interesting story, a group of "hippies" staging a sit-in or a Boy Scout helping a blind man across the street?

Col. Moore mentioned the morale in the Marine Corps, which is the highest because they take pride in themselves and their organization. It should make no difference whether our football team wins or not. A person is either good or bad, and morale must be generated within the corps itself. Morale is pride in yourself and in your school. One must have a "yes" attitude twards the things he does.

Col. Moore said in conclusion that cadets should not complain about morale. He declared, "Good morale has to come from you! Join the group! Believe in yourself!"

Courtesy—Alton Evening Telegraph

CAPTAIN C. A. THOMAS

Capt. C. A. Thomas Dies As Result Of Automobile Wreck

Faculty Officer Succumbs In St. Louis Wednesday; Miss Clayton Injured

A pall of sadness was thrown over the campus this week when two well-known people of Western were involved in a serious automobile accident on Highway 99 between St. Louis and Alton at about 11:00 P. M. Saturday night.

Capt. Carl Alby Thomas, member of the faculty, tennis and soccer coach, and assistant commandant, died Wednesday at 12:30 P. M. as the result of the crash when his car left the pavement and rolled over several times. Miss Sue Clayton, his companion, who until a few weeks ago was employed by Col. Jackson, is in the

GRAY WILBBURN MAGEE

Gray, our ranking cadet officer, has been with us for five years. Dur-

ing this time he has established a record for himself that will be a goal for cadets to attain in future years.

Last year Grad graduated as valedictorian of his class. He was the winner of the Setz Cup. Gray has been the backbone of Western's Military Department. His great efficiency has brought him from the ranks to the grade of high ranking cadet major. He has had the honor of being a four-year Upper Ten man as well as that of being president of the Senior Class of 1926. He was a member of the varsity football and basketball teams. Of the latter sport he acted in the capacity of captain and in football he was chosen as "All Prep End" for 1926. In addition he was one of the editors of the 1926

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Gray Wilburn Magee

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"Recall" and a member of the Delta Phi Omega fraternity. He was chosen by the War Department as Honor Graduate of '26.

Gray is the type of fellow who can make friends. Everyone likes and respects him. Gray's friends number many among us. He is a real fellow —a good sport. His willingness to work and to aid others has made him one of Western's most popular cadets. We will all miss him when he leaves us this year.

In the Junior College Department Gray is doing excellent work. Next fall he is entering Dartmouth to continue his education. Our best wishes for his success in all his work goes with him. To him, also goes our admiration, for he has been an able student, a capable officer, and a sincere friend.

—W. M. A.—

Lt. Col. Magee To Retire From Duty Here, July 1, 1969

Has Been Western's Secretary And Treasurer Since 1938

Col. Ralph B. Jackson, Superintendent, has announced that Lt. Col. Gray M. Magee, Secretary and Treasurer of Western for more than thirty years, will retire on July 1, 1969.

Lt. Col. Magee graduated from the Academy in 1926 as valedictorian of his class. He was also president of his class, Cadet Major and Battalion Commander, and a star athlete. He was captain of the varsity basketball team.

He went on to graduate from Dartmouth College, where he was also president of his class and captain of the basketball team.

HAD MANY DUTIES

Lt. Col. Magee returned to Western in July, 1938. In addition to his duties as Secretary and Treasurer, he also served for many years as Director of Athletics. His job has included the purchasing of many supplies for the Academy and the Cadet Store, such as uniforms, equipment, etc.

He possesses a pleasing, friendly personality and a superior knowledge of many phases of Western life.

TWO SONS ARE GRADS

Lt. Col. Magee has two sons who are W.M.A. graduates. Guion Magee, Class 56, now lives in Kansas City and is associated with the Alton Box Board Company. Gray M. Magee, Jr., Class 57, is with the Chromium Mining and Smelting Company in Memphis, Tennessee.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Magee plan to continue living at their Godfrey, Illinois, residence, which is a convenient place for their grown-up children and grandchildren to visit.

The Academy is now seeking a replacement for Lt. Col. Magee.

Walter Laux, At Western 47 Years, Dies Suddenly

Was Loyal And Friendly Superintendent Of Grounds

All at Western, including faculty, staff, and cadets, were shocked and grieved by the sudden death of Walter W. Laux, age 76, on March 18 at 1:15 P.M. He had worked that morning on the campus.

Walter Laux had been a faithful and valuable employee at the Academy for 47 years. He was the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds. He was also in charge of the stables and horeback riding. He loved horses and had raced thoroughbreds of his own for many years. He also owned farms near Alton.

A VALUABLE MAN

Perhaps no one knew as much about the physical setup of the campus as Walter did. He knew every furnace, pipe, roof, building, and facility on the campus. When repairs were needed, Walter could do the job. He even helped in the dining room by buying certain food supplies direct from farmers. No matter what the job was, marking off the football field or mending a broken steam pipe, he did it. In addition, Walter was friendly with everyone and was 100 per cent loyal to Western. He will be greatly missed.

Mr. Laux is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elsie P. Laux, a son Eugene, and two daughters, Mrs. George Dickinson and Mrs. Harold Robinson. There are also eight grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Three brothers, Arthur Laux, Adolph Laux, and Clarence Laux, survive, as well as two married sisters.

Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph — Photo by Robert Graul

FITTING NEW UNIFORMS

Cadets were outfitted with new uniforms in the Q. M. The above picture shows Major Suhre trying a coat on Cadet Charles Proetz of El Dorado, Arkansas, while J. R. Hutchinson (left), Caruthersville, Missouri, and Richmond Kiger, Mattoon, Illinois, look on.

Jim Goodwin, '46 Now Teacher On Western Faculty

It's Capt. J. L. Goodwin now. Jim Goodwin, Class of '46, is teaching English and history at Western and coaching younger football and basketball teams. He is doing a great job.

Jim Goodwin is married, and he and his wife and two children live on the first floor of "C" Barracks.

Jim won two varsity letters in both football and basketball at Western. He was named on the All-Star A.B.C. grid team. He was treasurer of the "W" Club. His home was in Jackson, Mo., and his father, R. B. Goodwin, graduated here in 1922, and a brother, Lane Goodwin, graduated in 1948.

Capt. Goodwin graduated from Southeast Missouri State College at Cape Girardeau, Mo. He spent four years in the U. S. Air Force, becoming a staff sergeant and acting as an instructor.

Major W. J. Buck, W.M.A. Teacher For 38 Years, Resigns

Maj. W. J. Buck, instructor in Latin and German at Western for 38 years, resigned last January because of ill health. He was known, respected, and loved by hundreds of former cadets. He was an efficient teacher, a character builder, and a firm but kindly disciplinarian. He was a foe to ignorance, and he believed that the only way to get an education was by drill, study, and hard work.

Col. R. B. Jackson called Maj. Buck "our Mr. Chips," and he sent a letter to all alumni telling of the Major's resignation and expressing regret at losing him.

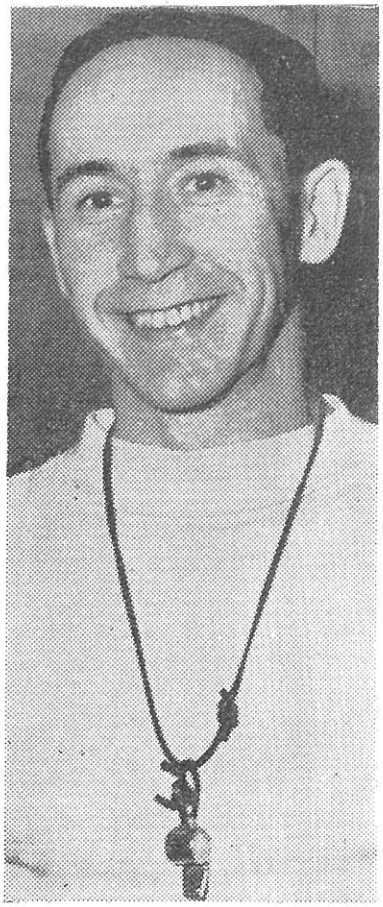
Maj. Buck filled many posts at Western, serving as the cadet banker and as a successful school representative.

Only last week Maj. Buck was back on the campus, looking very fit and well rested. He was as erect and as brisk as ever. Since he gave up his teaching duties, he has been living quietly at his home in Alton and enjoying leisure.

TWO '57 GRADS, WEBBER AND BELL, ARE ON FACULTY STAFF HERE

Two '57 grads, Lieut. Robert Webber and Lieut. Carl T. Bell, are on the Commandant's Staff here. Webber has been a valuable member for several years and is very active in the U. S. Armed forces. He has served tours of duty at Ft. Leonard Wood and Ft. Sill, as well as at other places. His family formerly lived in Kirkwood, Mo., but now resides in Chicago.

Bell was formerly of Lima, Peru, but now lives in Illinois. He has won his A.B. Degree from the University of Illinois and has been writing his thesis for his M.A. Degree in economics. He plans to continue until he gets his Ph.D. Degree.



CAPT. BRESSON
New Football Coach

Capt. B. C. Bresson, Notre Dame Grad, To Coach Football

New Mentor Has Successfull Record At Wooster, Ohio, High School

The 1945 Red Raider gridmen will open the season with a new coach, Capt. Bernard C. Bresson of Wooster, Ohio. A graduate of Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana, he uses a combination of the famous "T" formation and the Rockne style of football tactics. He played football on the Irish squad until a knee injury prevented further participation. He later was on the varsity track team as a discus thrower, and he coached advanced swimming at Notre Dame.

Capt. Bresson attended Wooster College at Wooster, Ohio, and, after finishing at Notre Dame, did graduate work at the University of Akron.

Successful Coach

Capt. Bresson has been unusually successful as football and basket ball coach at Wooster, Ohio, High School for the past ten years. He was director of athletics and city recreation director at Wooster for the last five years. His teams made a fine showing against strong competition in a group including such schools as Canton and Massilon, Ohio, from which latter school Paul Brown went as coach to Ohio State. In the past four years, three of Capt. Bresson's athletes were on varsity teams at Ohio and one at Indiana. His sports activity was rounded out as president of the Wooster softball association and as a member of the Cleveland, Ohio, recreation department.

To Teach Science

Cadets will like Capt. Bresson. He is quiet and modest, but confident. He knows football and high school sports. Letters from Wooster school officials testify to his fine standing as football coach, teacher, and builder of character.

At Western, Capt. Bresson will coach "A" football and swimming and will direct the boxing program. He will teach general science and biology. He is married and has three children, two boys and a girl, aged four, seven, and nine.

Red Raiders will welcome Capt. Bresson to Western and anticipate a pleasant and successful year on the gridiron.

Flash!! And Smoke!

In cleaning out the science lab, a bottle of unused white phosphorus was accidentally dumped into the trash house last week. The result—flash, fire, and smoke!

Capt. Bresson rushed to the rescue with Doder, Whitsel, Blackman, and Emswiler trying to start the hose from nearby "D" Barrack. Lieut. Warner and Sgt. Hasty banged the lock off the trash room door. Finally, one hose squirted forth, getting everyone soaked. Oseland and Goodwin, L. sprayed the fire until Moehle arrived with an extinguisher, which would not work. Cannon faithfully helped by bringing out water by the glassful. Soon the blaze in the trash grew discouraged and gave up. All returned to classes. Beardslee says he will check all fire-fighting equipment for a slight charge.

Emswiler, H.

ALTON, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1960

Michael Bresson Severely Burned In Car Accident

The entire corps of cadets and the faculty have been deeply concerned this week over the condition of Michael B. Bresson, son of Maj. and Mrs. Bernard C. Bresson. He has been in Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, since last Sunday following a car accident and at the present time (Tuesday) is still on the critical list.

"Mike" Bresson was driving a car on Bypass 66 near Granite City last Sunday at 1:50 a.m. As he turned into a driveway, his car was struck on the left rear by another automobile and overturned at the side of the road.

The young man was helped from the car apparently unhurt, but his clothing was soaked with gasoline from the gas tank. When he returned to his wrecked car, presumably to get something from the inside, the auto burst into flames, igniting his clothing.

Michael Bresson received severe burns over most of his body. After emergency treatment at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Granite City, he was removed to Barnes Hospital, where he is still in a serious condition.

Maj. and Mrs. Bresson have been constantly at their son's bedside. "Mike" was a graduate of Alton High, 1956, and is now a student at Southern Illinois University of Carbondale. He is a well-liked and outstanding young man.

Many friends have felt deep sympathy for the parents. Maj. Bresson is biology instructor and Athletic Director at Western and has been a successful coach. He is one of the outstanding, faithful members of the faculty. Mrs. Bresson teaches in the Alton school system. Both of them have hosts of friends, who hope that Michael Bresson will show signs of improvement.

Later as we go to press on Wednesday, word has just been received that Michael Bresson passed away during the afternoon at Barnes Hospital.

Funeral Services Held Saturday For Michael Bresson

Funeral rites for Michael B. Bresson, 21, son of Maj. and Mrs. Bernard C. Bresson, were conducted last Saturday morning at St. Mary's Church in Alton with the Rev. Father James Suddes as celebrant of the Requiem High Mass. He also officiated at the burial in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

The casketbearers, mostly fellow students from S.I.U. at Carbondale, were Byron Gordan, William Schorr, Bruce Adams, Allen Montgomery, Walter Haase, Kenneth Schoeck, Alan Bresson, and William Hardin.

The services were attended by many friends from Alton and faculty members of Western. Maj. and Mrs. Bresson received many messages and tokens of sympathy. Both the faculty and the cadets donated to the Hospital Improvement Fund as a memorial to the young man. Food and flowers were sent in profusion to the family home.

Michael Bresson died on January 20 from burns incurred following an automobile accident on January 17. His car was hit by another car and was overturned. It caught fire, igniting the youth's clothing. He succumbed later at Barnes Hospital.

Michael Bresson was born in Wooster, Ohio, Nov. 22, 1938. He graduated from Alton High in 1956, attended Notre Dame, and was this year a senior at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. He belonged to the fencing teams at both universities and the Newman Club at S.I.U. He was a member of the Civil Air Patrol in Alton and had been cited for proficiency.

In addition to his parents, Michael Bresson is survived by two sisters, Virginia and Paula, a brother, Alan, his maternal grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Weimer, and paternal grandfather, A. P. Bresson, both of Wooster, Ohio.

Lt. Robert Webber Returns After Army Duty Tour

By Eric Blum

Lieut. Robert Webber, Class of '57, a valuable member of the Commandant's Staff for several years, returned to Western after the holidays following five months and 22 days of active duty in the United States Army.

Lieut. Webber joined the U. S. Army Reserves approximately one week prior to reporting for active duty at Fort Leeonard Wood, Mo., on June 24, 1961. At Fort Leonard Wood he was made a squad leader with the temporary rank of staff sergeant. After one month he was promoted to fill a vacancy as platoon guide with the temporary rank of sergeant first class.

Lieut. Webber had eight weeks of basic combat training at Fort Leonard Wood. He said he took the equivalent of Western's M.S.T. courses 1-4 in eight weeks, plus several others. The training that he received at Western as a cadet helped a great deal he said, because almost everything he did in the Army had been previously done at W.M.A.

After his service at Ft. Leonard Wood, Lieut. Webber received a 14-day leave. He then reported to Ft. Sill, Okla., for advanced individual training, where he was given the permanent rank of private. While at Ft. Sill, he was trained for Military Occupational Specialty 152.10, which is field artillery operations and intelligence assistant. While there he had the opportunity to fire M-60 machine gun and the M-14 rifle, two new N.A.T.O. weapons. The Commanding Officer at Ft. Sill was General Griffen.

The main topic of conversation at both Forts was whether or not President Kennedy would activate respective home units. At one time the rumor was that he would have to serve an extra 6 or 12 months.

Lieut. Webber received an honorable discharge on December 16, 1961. His many friends were glad to have him back at Western.

LIEUT. WEBBER STOPS BY ON FURLOUGH

Lieut. Robert Webber, '57, who has been such a valuable member of the Commandant's Staff for several years, stopped by the campus just before school opened. He had been on active duty at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., where he became a platoon leader in a short time. He said that his training at Western was of great value in the Army.

Lieut. Webber stated that he hoped to complete his tour and return to W.M.A. next December. However, with the armed forces being increased because of the world situation, he was not sure what would happen.

Mrs. Green's "Best Idea" Wins Prize In Food Magazine

Mrs. W. H. Green, Western's dietitian, has won a prize from the Food Service Magazine of Madison, Wisconsin, in a "Best Idea Contest."

This magazine deals with food and serving equipment and has a "Panel of One Thousand", made up of dietitians and food purveyors all over the country. Mrs. Green belongs to this panel. The purpose is to get suggestions, reports, advice, and surveys on food and equipment.

Mrs. Green's entry described the new ice-cube machine installed here last fall. She told of its convenience and economy. It makes all the ice-cubes needed and keeps a surplus of over 350 pounds. It avoids the mess and worry of having to keep huge blocks of ice in an old-fashioned refrigerator.

Mrs. Green will receive an "Air Guide Barometer" from Union Electric of St. Louis, and her "best idea" will be printed in the February issue of Food Service Magazine.

Capts. Crumpacker and Hilgert Will Return Next Year

Two popular and efficient faculty members will return next year. Capt. Frank Crumpacker, head coach for two years and coach of football, basketball, and track, had considered going back to his native California, but he has decided to return to Western.

That will be good news for everyone. Capt. Crumpacker is not only an excellent coach, but he is also a character-builder, a gentleman, and an efficient teacher. He came to W.M.A. when sports were at a low ebb, and every team that he has coached has shown steady improvement. The Red Raider gridders have regained prestige and last fall had a 6-2 record, the best in more than ten years. His 1959 cage team tied for the league title, and the varsity basketeers of 1960 missed a share of championship honors by a single point in an overtime game. His track teams have been developing. Capt. Crumpacker has good material coming on, and with his guidance, Western teams will again be respected opponents in this area.

Capt. J. J. Hilgert, mathematics teacher for 6 years until 1959-60, will be back. He was one of the most popular and efficient instructors on the faculty, with a keen sense of humor. He was an asset in many school activities.

Capt. Hilgert, a graduate of the University of Minnesota, has been taking advanced work there this year. In 1958 he married an Alton girl, Miss Alice Jean Coleman. They now have a fine son.

With other tried and true veteran members on the staff, it seems that the faculty next year will be outstanding.

CAPT. VOSS
Athletic Director

Capt. E. W. Voss Is New Western Athletic Director

Western has a new Director of Athletics this year, Capt. Edward W. Voss, a native of Alton. He succeeds Maj. B. C. Bresson, who has filled that post so successfully for several years, but who resigned the position because of the press of academic and other duties at W.M.A. However, Maj. Bresson states that he will not lose his interest in sports and will assist wherever he can. In his career at the Academy he has been head coach and has been a real factor in the success of Red Raider teams. He teaches biology classes.

Capt. Voss is a graduate of Marquette High School, Alton, and of St. Louis University. He has been a member of the faculty since 1958, teaching commercial subjects. He has also coached varsity golf teams and several "B" and "C" teams in other sports.

Col. R. B. Jackson, Superintendent, states that Capt. Voss is thoroughly familiar with the athletic situation in the St. Louis and Alton areas and is well acquainted with schools, coaches, and officials. Most of Western's competition in sports is in the A.B.C. League of St. Louis.

Major Malone Uses Music To Teach English

Seniors Are Fascinated By Self-teaching Techniques

By Hamilton

On Thursday night, February 22, Major Malone's English classes were introduced to a new method of teaching at Western, the self-teaching method. Six members of the W.M.A. band were on the stage waiting to play music characteristic of the Post Elizabethian Period.

Major Malone explained his innovation about fluidity in learning or self-teaching. Fluidity is achieved by searching for and finding every angle on a topic or by covering every method of expression on an assignment. He said that on that night the Seniors would search out the feeling of England in the post-Elizabethian Age by the music composed. He pointed out that the Seniors had heard music of the "Golden Age of Elizabeth" before, and that they should be able to analyze music. From the analysis and "your abundant storehouse of knowledge" they could ascertain the feeling of the perid.

CAPT. KRASNANSKY TALKS

Major Malone then introduced Captain Krasnansky, history instructor, as one more prepared to give the Seniors a background of the period. Capt. Krasnansky stated that his topic had just been changed but that he would do his best. He explained why the Elizabethan Period was not one of perfect happiness as some had concluded, and he cited political links, marriages, plots, and religious turmoil tearing the country apart. He then broadly but effectively covered the era in question.

Captain Dalhaus then stepped forward as his musicians tuned up. They were Harris, Kimble, and Ambo, trumpets, Moore, tuba, and Puebla and Vanzant, trombones.

Those of us in Major Malone's English class have found that it is more than a snap course.

LT. MICHAEL LAUX ATTENDING NAVAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL

Lieut. Michael Laux, who has been on the W.M.A. faculty staff for several years through last year as wrestling coach and coach of other sports as well as a cadet adviser, is now studying in California. His course now includes Anatomy, Physiology, Metrology, Preventive Medicine, and Materia Medica, which is Pharmacy and Pharmacology.

Maj. Hinton states that he will revise the "Shrapnel" staff soon. Only those who produce will be retained.

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Conrad Kirby proved to Maj. Lange that his Van de Graff generator works very well by a personal demonstration. The generator gave off more of a shock than was expected.

"Granny" Watkins Dies At Age Of 89

Former Nurse At Academy Hospital Was Beloved By Hundreds Of Old Cadets

Miss Theodosia Watkins, 89, known as Granny Watkins to hundreds of Western grads, died last Saturday at the Villa Terrace nursing home, where she had been a patient for over two years.

Cadets of recent years do not know Granny Watkins, but to students of twenty years ago she was a beloved and very dear person. She was in charge of the hospital at Western for many years, ministering to ailing cadets and giving warm friendship and motherly advice. She won affection in the hearts of cadets seldom equaled.

Granny Watkins called the cadets "her boys." She understood them. They did not put anything over on her, but, on the other hand, they received sympathy and guidance, as well as tender care when they were ill. She had a keen sense of humor.

Stories of Cadets

The Alton Evening Telegraph related many of the stories that Granny Watkins used to tell about cadets.

"I remember," she'd say, "one boy we had there. He was valedictorian of his class when he graduated. But he was hard to make obey.

"He came to the hospital once. He wouldn't mind; just kept a sort of smirking attitude. I told the superintendent after the commandant failed to get discipline out of him. He said to do what I could.

"Then when the boy got to acting up again, I went over to his bed. He smirked as bad as ever when I told him about the commandant. So I punished him. He looked surprised. But after that he obeyed.

"When graduation time came, I met him and his mother.

"He called me over to them.

"Mother,' he said, "This is Granny Watkins. You know Mother, Granny

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The condition of Miss Catherine "Kitty" Girard, former Academy nurse, who was struck by a car, still remains serious. She is at St. Joseph's Hospital in Alton.

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Miss Gotthardt Is Succeeded By Miss Halliday As Nurse

Miss Billie Halliday took up her duties at Western last week as the registered nurse in charge of the school hospital. Miss Halliday is a graduate of the St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Alton, Ill., and is well qualified for her position. She now has the important job of supervising cadet health, under the direction of Dr. H. P. McCuistion, school physician. She has already impressed the cadets favorably by her cheerfulness, pleasing personality, and efficiency.

Miss Halliday succeeded Miss Helen Gotthardt last week. Miss Gotthardt, who has been in charge of the W. M. A. hospital several years, resigned. She stated that she felt that she needed a rest and that she wanted to take further graduate courses in nursing. Her plans, at present, are indefinite, but she may spend the winter in New Orleans.

Miss Gotthardt had a wonderful record of service at Western. Under her supervision, the health of cadets was carefully looked after. She was always faithful and capable in the performance of her duties, and the best wishes of cadets and faculty will go with her in any field which she may enter.

MISS GOTTHARDT COMES BACK FROM SERVICE TO W. M. A. HOSPITAL DUTY

Miss Helen Gotthardt, formerly First Lieut. Gotthardt as a nurse with the U. S. Army, has reported for duty at the W. M. A. hospital. Miss Paris has resigned.

Miss Gotthardt was in charge of the hospital two years here before the war. She was one of the best nurses ever to serve here. No one will forget how she sucked the poison from a snake-bite wound several years ago when a cadet had been bitten, ignoring her own safety.

Lieut. Gotthardt served for fifteen months in Africa and later in Italy. Her record of service wa sbrilliant. She was on board ship headed for the Pacific when the war ended. Her orders were countermanded and she returned to this country, later receiving her honorable discharge.

Miss Gotthardt is a capable and experienced nurse. Her return to Western is a welcome event.

Miss Gotthardt And Major Malone Married, Oct. 28

Major Louis A. Malone and Miss Helen M. Gotthardt were married on Saturday, October 28, at the Immaculate Conception Cathedral in Springfield, Illinois, in a beautiful ceremony.

This wedding is of special interest to all cadets, faculty, and alumni because both the bride and the groom are two of the most valuable, highly respected, and beloved persons on the Western Military Academy staff.

Mrs. Malone, as Miss Gotthardt, has been the registered nurse in charge of the W.M.A. infirmary for a number of years. She has looked after the cadets' health with efficiency and kindness, and many grads gratefully recall her tender care. She has also served as a Lieutenant Nurse in the Armed Forces.

Major Malone is the Senior English Instructor, the manager of the Cadet Store, and co-founder and sponsor of the MTO. He has been an outstanding teacher and a real influence for good scholarship and character on the campus. He is a graduate of De Paul University, M.A. degree, and has done graduate work at Loyola University, Notre Dame, and S.I.U.

Both Major and Mrs. Malone have been associated in work at Western for several years, and in the summers they are connected with one of the summer camps in Wisconsin. They will occupy quarters in the Administration Building.

On behalf of the cadets, faculty, and alumni, the "Shrapnel" extends to them congratulations and best wishes for the future.

First Hand History Of Western Available From Employee Here 52 Years—Bill Rehr

"Ask Bill Rehr! He'll know!" Any time that a question comes up about Western history, Bill Rehr, Western's oldest employee, may be consulted for the correct answer. Bill has worked for the Academy for 52 years; in fact, he worked here when it wasn't the Academy, but "Wyman Institute."

The man who takes charge of our trunks, the man who helps fire the furnace, the man who keeps the Western lawns in such fine shape and the man whose tall stories have kept the cadets interested as long as there have been cadets—all these different men are in reality one man, Bill Rehr.

Every Friday Bill fills all the cubbyholes in the Q. M. with the cadet laundry. He is too busy walking back and forth to figure the miles that he has walked while doing that—just imagine over two hundred trips from the counter to the cadet boxes each week—but we will wager that it is as many miles, if not more, than the average cadet walks each year.

All the parcel post and express, whether it be socks or birthday cakes, is handled by Bill when it comes into the Q. M. His careful handling helps in some measure to make up for the lack of carefulness before the packages reach here.

Alumni returning and looking up their old friends on the faculty like to hunt up Bill and visit with him if he has the time. No cadet who ever attended Western could say that he never had any dealing with Bill Rehr because Bill has been here since the place was called "Wyman Institute." Bill recalls how, after Mr. Wyman died, Col. Brown turned the Institute into a military school and called it Western Military Academy.

Bill Rehr has seen the whole school demolished by fire as it was in 1904 and rebuilt as it is today. He knew Eaton Field, our football field, when it was a hill, and he helped level and excavate it to the amphitheatre that it is today. Through all of its trials and improvements there has been one interested spectator and worker hoping for a better Western and giving his life to make it—Bill Rehr.

Otto Huff Has Been Film Projectionest Here For 20 Years

One night 20 years ago, Mr. Otto Huff came to Western to run a movie for the cadets. He has been the movie operator here ever since.

Mr. Huff said that the first films were shown on a portable projector which had to be assembled and disassembled every time a show was presented. There was also a wait between each reel of film and the lights were turned on while the reels were changed. The sound was not too distinct. Now double projectors and new equipment present smooth, continuous shows.

Otto has spent much of his time making the projection room a safer place for the expensive equipment. For example, the cinemascope lenses for the two projectors cost $500.00. Mr. Huff has been most faithful in showing movies for cadets. He is presently employed as a projectionist at the Princess Theatre.

The movie Saturday night was "Bad Day at Black Rock". The picture was about a small western town and a man's search for a Jap, whom he never found. Spencer Tracy, Robert Ryan, and Anne Francis were the stars. A Tom and Jerry cartoon, "The Little School Mouse", was also shown.

Col. Henderson, '13, Resigns As Head Of Trail Rangers

Former Commandant Gives Up Post After Working 42 Years In Training Youth

According to the Alton Evening Telegraph, Col. Frank N. Henderson, Class '13, will resign as superintendent of the Trail Rangers School for boys, which is located near Grafton, Ill., after forty-two years of working with boys. Twenty-eight of those years were spent at Western, where he was commandant until 1945.

Has Been In Poor Health

Col. Henderson had an operation and has spent considerable time in hospitals during the past two years. He recently returned to his headquarters at Grafton, but his health has not been of the best. His two sons visited him and urged him to give up his duties. John Henderson, '37, is now general sales manager for the Clayton Lambert Mfg. Co., Louisville, Kentucky, and George Henderson, '35, is general sales manager for the Crosley television division, Cincinnati, Ohio. Col. and Mrs. Hendenson plan to visit them.

At Western 28 Years

Col. Frank Henderson was commandant at Missouri Military Academy before he came to Western, his alma mater, to occupy a similar post. He was a great success as a commandant and was noted for his fairness and firmness. Cadets always considered him one of the mainstays on the campus and held him in great respect and affection.

Mrs. Henderson also was very active in school affairs, teaching, directing dramatics, supervising the school paper, and acting as social director. Col. Henderson represented the Academy on the road for many years. He is a Mason and a Shriner.

Hilarious Costume Party Is Enjoyed By Faculty Group

It is rumored that there were wild times at the Faculty Club Monday night. An invitation full of mystery was circulated, which read:

Weird Occasion—Hallowe'en Party.
Mystic Hour—7:31½ P. M., Oct. 25.
Hidden Haunt—Faculty Club.

The invitation announced a "batty night of entertainment; phantom freaks allowed!" Also refreshments of "witches' brew, tingling tarts, and soothsayer's cup" were noted on the menu. Such names as Evil Eye Schrantz, Mummy Moore, and Dark Moon Kramer were signed. Surely they couldn't refer to people at Western!

Rumor says that the faculty had a great time. At first, there was fun in guessing who wore the colorful costumes. Capt. Thomas was a football player; Capt. Schrantz a dude of the gay 90's; Capt. Droste a cowboy; Capt. Williams a cadet; Capt. Teal a Swedish girl; Capt. Hinton a German war-lord; Capt. Gould an Arab; Lieut. Fossieck was Frank Buck; and Capt. Porter a pirate. Among the ladies were: Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Latham in lovely Mexican costumes; Mrs. Schrantz and Mrs. Moore in skeleton costumes; Mrs. Gould as an Indian; Miss Burns as a Chinese girl; Mrs. Hinton as a shepherdess; Miss Clayton and Mrs. Brown in men's evening dress; and Mrs. Teal as a farmer boy. There were many other clever costumes.

After the crowd had unmasked, various Hallowe'en games were played and even a spelling match was held. Refreshments of pumpkin pie, doughnuts, coffee, and cider were then served. The evening closed hilariously with various members of the group posing for Capt. Williams and his Leica camera.

It was said to be the jolliest party of the year for the faculty.

Mrs. Kibby Reports New Boys Enrolled Exceed 1946 Figure

Will Visit Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland Territory April 17; Faculty To See Prospects

Mrs. Berta Kibby, director of admissions, recently returned from a week's stay at the Palmer House in Chicago. While there she had some very delightful and cordial visits with parents of cadets, and she also interviewed and gave admission tests to a number of new cadets.

Mrs. Kibby reports that once more new cadets enrolled for next year exceed in number those enrolled at this time last year. She said that it appears that parents are again making arrangements for their sons' schools early, as they have been doing for the past five years.

To Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland

On April 17, Mrs. Kibby will go on a ten-day trip to Detroit, Toledo, and Cleveland for the purpose of seeing patrons and contacting new prospects. In Detroit and Cleveland she will be at Statler hotels and in Toledo at the Hillcrest.

Western plans to complete next year's enrollment as soon as possible. During Government Inspection from April 26 to 30, three instructors will also go into their territories to call on patrons and new cadets. Capt. W. M. Hinton will be in Springfield and Bloomington, Illinois; Capt. F. V. Gould will go through Southwest Illinois and Southeast Missouri; and Maj. H. E. Suhre will cover Peoria, Illinois, and vicinity.

Capt. Lange Wins Scholarship At Carnegie Tech

Captain Gordon Lange, teacher of physics and chemistry at Western, has been notified by the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, that he has been awarded a scholarship for its summer program for secondary school teachers of science. Captain Lange's selection is an outstanding honor because the awards were made on a national basis.

Each year Carnegie Institute selects a small number of high school science teachers for a special course of science instruction. The course has as its aim a plan to introduce outstanding secondary science teachers to the latest developments in the field of physics and chemistry. The program is co-ordinated with the important industrial plants and research laboratories in the Pittsburgh area. During the summer Captain Lange will have an opportunity to make a first-hand investigation of Carnegie's Nuclear Research Center, the Westinghouse Corporation laboratories, and the metallurgical labs of the giant steel industries centered around Pittsburgh.

Captain Lange has been a pioneer in making his courses in physics and chemistry functional. He introduced the problem method several years ago in order to prepare better science majors for college work. He has also pioneered, along with Captain Bresson, the tremendously popular Science Fair at Western. After his experience at Carnegie, Captain Lange will make recommendations for modifications of the physics and science courses in attempting to co-ordinate science instruction at Western with national objectives.

ST. LOUIS PAPER REVEALS TEACHERS' HIDDEN TALENT; CAPT. LANGE FEATURED AS GOURMET

Western's well-known physics and chemistry teacher, Capt. Gordon Lange, was featured in the rotogravure section of last Sunday's St. Louis Post-Dispatch when a spread of color photos showed Capt. Lange's culinary skill.

It's a long way from the physics lab to the kitchen, but Capt. Lange is as much at home in the latter as he is in the former. The Post printed five pictures of the physics teacher preparing his piece de resistance - - creme de menth pie, and he looked competent, indeed.

Capt. Lange has been seriously interested in cooking for about ten years. He claims that eating is an adventure, and that he is interested in living to eat rather than eating to live. Lange feels that food should be more than just nutrition. It should be varied, interesting, and exciting

Last year Capt. Lange won an award from the Chicago Tribune for a recipe which he had submitted in that paper's daily recipe contest. He has collected 35 cook books and keeps a loose-leaf book of favorite recipes.

Cadets are forewarned. Regardless of Capt. Lange's reputation as a gourmet and an accomplished chef, the concoctions which he prepares in the chemistry laboratory are not likely to be creme de menthe pies!

MR. CHESTER L. PERSING

Mr. Persing States In Letter To Western Men That He Anticipates His Work Here With Great Pleasure And Enthusiasm

Men of Western Military Academy:

I am very glad to accept this opportunity to communicate with the patrons and alumni of Western Military Academy.

As we prepare to take up our residence at Western, I can think of no opportunity which offers more pleasure than to talk personally with each one of you about your experiences at Western and your ideas concerning its future program. Four years of living in any community gives a person an insight into the patterns of living which need to be preserved as well as a knowledge of the changes that are imperative. Living on the campus at Western has been such an opportunity for many of you. Against the background of its daily life you have seen at close range its assets and liabilities. You have sat in its classrooms and have received instructions from its faculty; you have gone forth to accept positions of responsibility or you have continued your educational program in colleges or universities. Surely from time to time you have found yourself saying, "If I had my life at Western to live over, I would . . . . " Regardless of what you would do, your comment is valuable in directing the thinking of those who plan the academic program. Western is your school; it existed to serve your individual needs, and it deserves the expression of approval or disapproval which you would gladly offer to a friend. For these reasons I covet an opportunity to learn from you those personal vital facts which may enable us to increase our efficiency in dealing with the personal problems of other Western students.

As I look back upon my own private school days, I glow with enthusiasm as I think of the happy days which I spent on its campus. Often I find a moment of relaxation as I reflect upon the personal friendships made or the lessons learned. I get a real thrill out of the picture of myself that comes to mind. How seriously I took myself! Out of that moment of reflection grows a desire to write a letter to an old room-mate or to inquire about the latest developments on the campus. Usually in that moment I ask myself why the school does not keep me better informed on the developments of the academy program and her alumni. It is in moods like this one that a fellow comes to appreciate the real significance of the undergraduate experience gained by living in close contact with others of like interests and needs. The "old school" offers a haven of refuge from the more pressing obligations of the moment. Personally I feel that there is something kindred in men who have lived in a dormitory school.

As we establish our home on the Western campus, Mrs. Persing and I would like to have you feel that you are welcome to drop in at any time to share our hospitality and to discuss with us some of the significant experiences that will be a part of our program to keep Western to the front in the educational developments that are current in American educational circles.

If you can not return to the campus to meet us personally you may rest assured that I will give serious consideration to any correspondence you may wish to send.

Yours sincerely,

C. L. Persing.

Mrs. Persing Also Holds High Place In School Circles

She Has Been Counselor Of Women At Northwestern University For Past Ten Years

Mr. Persing's coming to Western as principal next year is not the only cause for congratulation to W. M. A. friends. He will be accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Alma Stack Persing, who has won an eminent position in her own right in educational circles. She is expected to take a prominent part in Western life and to exert a wholesome influence.

For the past ten years, Mrs. Persing has been counselor of women at Northwestern University. She is a graduate of Baylor University in Texas and spent four years traveling as a student secretary in that state. She then served as director of social activities at North Texas State Teachers' College.

Regret Her Departure

A recent edition of the "Daily Northwestern" paid a great tribute to Mrs. Persing's work at that university. The paper notes her sympathetic, friendly service to the girls and her inspirational guidance.

President Scott of Northwestern, commenting upon Mrs. Persing's resignation, said:

"The university is very sorry to lose Mrs. Persing. She has been very close to the students in one capacity or another during the past few years and has been most helpful. Her many friends will wish her success."

A Student Tribute

One of the women students, writing in the student paper, stated:

"It is with deep personal regret that we learn of Mrs. Persing's resignation from the university. We can remember vividly our own freshman week at the university three years ago, and our first glimpse of Mrs. Persing, smiling, hospitable, greeting an endless line of awkward freshmen women crowding the reception room at the Georgian. Instinctively, we recognized a sympathetic personality, combined with an intelligent understanding of student problems. The first memory of her is common to many other Northwestern women.

"She has helped many women to settle problems concerning roommates, sororities, financial troubles, social adjustment, and so forth. She has always been there with an open ear for listening to difficulties, and to

School Quarantined Because Of Case Of Poliomyelitis

Situation Seems Under Control; Fine Spirit Is Shown By Cadets

Western Military Academy cadets were quarantined last Saturday by the State Health Department until Tuesday, November 10, because of a case of poliomyelitis, or infantile paralysis, incurred by one cadet. Cadet Pelham McMurray of Paducah, Ky., seventeen years old, complained of being ill on Tuesday, October 27. He entered the Academy hospital and was removed Friday to Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, where his ailment was diagnosed as poliomyelitis. He is the identical twin brother of Cadet Fletcher McMurray, both of whom are regular tackles on the Western grid team.

On Monday it was announced that Pelham McMurray was making steady improvement against infantile paralysis, and this information brought cheers from the cadets, for this fine Kentucky boy is well liked by everyone.

When the doctors were sure that a case of "polio" had developed in the school, things happened quickly. Nothing but praise has been expressed for Col. Jackson, President of W. M. A., who acted with firmness and speed to take every possible precaution. He at once notified the State Health Department, which sent Dr. Rose to take charge. The school was placed in quarantine. The Hallowe'en Dance on Saturday was canceled, the football game with Country Day and the "B" and "C" games with Burroughs, and also the games for next Saturday.

Specialist Consulted

Col. Jackson went before the corps and told them calmly what had happened. He said he felt that Americans always "wanted to face the facts." He introduced Dr. Rose, who answered questions. The cadets faced the situation with the finest spirit. "Thank God," said the Colonel, "that we have a cadet corps with such intelligence and courage."

It was explained that the disease was not likely to spread further, yet there was a chance. So Col. Jackson took additional steps. He called in the two leading specialists of the Middle West on "polio," Dr. Alexis Hartmann, physician-in-chief of the St. Louis Children's Hospital and a patron of Western, and Dr. S. O. Levinson of Chicago, chairman of the Illinois Committee on Infantile Paralysis. These specialists advised what to do.

Precautions Taken

Col. Jackson also has reported to cadets daily, has kept in touch with parents, and has informed the newspapers. He has acted with such firmness and wisdom that he has had the complete confidence of everyone, as well as cooperation. Dr. Hartmann of St. Louis praised Dr. McCuistion, Western physician, and Miss Holliday, school nurse, for their quick diagnosis and prompt handling of the one case of the disease.

Cadets Cooperate

As to the quarantine itself, it is one of those things which seem to bring out the finest in the cadets and faculty. Col. Jackson's frankness and firmness set the pace. The entire corps refused to become jittery or excited. They regretted the loss of the dance, but did not complain. They sent flowers to Cadet McMurray. They walked sentry duty in front of the campus to keep out unauthorized persons. When Shurtleff College boys could not some in to wait tables, a group of cadets volunteered and, led by Cadet Waters, have done a wonderful job. Classes are proceeding, as usual, as are other activities. Adult faculty were allowed to go in and out of the grounds. On Sunday, a larger crowd of parents than usual visited the campus and saw a fine dress parade. They, too, have

"Flu" Subsides At Western And Life Returns To Normal

The wave of "flu" which struck Western last week has about subsided and life is returning to normal. It looks as if the situation will be cleared up long before the Christmas holidays, which was Col. Jackson's aim last week in assembly.

The "flu" was not of a severe type, and thanks to the precautions taken by the school in putting everyone to bed who contracted it and in giving careful supervision to patients, no serious results are expected. Col. Jackson told the cadets frankly what the situation was, advised them how to meet it, and kept parents informed. Miss Eble, nurse in charge of the hospital, Dr. McCuistion, the school physician, and Miss Limbach, dietitian, all deserve credit for their tireless efforts in caring for the cadets.

At one time last week, seventy-one cadets were absent from duties because of the "flu." By Sunday the number had dropped to nine, and the cases should be completely cleared up this week. Extra nurses were secured, as well as extra help. The overflow of patients went to Alton hospitals. Several cadets helped out by acting as hospital orderlies and waiters.

So the emergency was met by the school authorities with efficiency and by the cadets with fine spirit. The cadets feel that the "flu", which has been prevalent over the country, came at a fortunate time, if it had to strike. It came after the football season was over and before the holidays. Think what would have happened if seventy cadets had been in bed when time for Christmas dismissal rolled around.

WAVE OF MEASLES STRIKES CADETS

For the past ten days a wave of measles has swept through the cadet corps. It is now subsiding. No one seemed to be seriously ill, but the study hall had to be converted into a hospital with additional beds. Miss Gotthardt had extra nurses to help. The "sick" cadets seemed to enjoy watching T.V. as a part of their recovery.

CADET WAITERS SLING VICTUALS WITH EASE

The quarantine last week almost spelled "lack of food" for Western, as the Academy found itself without waiters. Volunteers among the cadets were called for and there was a mad rush of enthusiastic cadets who wanted to help out. Twenty-five waiters were selected, and the cadets celebrated Hallowe'en in the candle-lit mess hall, where familiar faces were seen dashing in and out of the kitchen. One of the most surprising facts was that no dishes were dropped. The cadet waiters served the meals and cleared the tables almost as rapidly as the regular waiters had done.

Those volunteers deserve much credit. They again prove that this year's corps is ready, willing, and able.

Those who are helping out: Waters, Hutchinson, H., Barker, Raith, Heiser, Lutz, Duffy, Borntraeger, Van Ausdall, Harrington, Brown, Zimmerman, Kottler, Porter, Shapiro, Vardaman, Ainlay, Silverblatt, Monaghan, Weeke, Dahlin, Himmel, Hale, W., Block, Degenhardt, McDougell, Gilason, Hale, D., Quilligan, E.

MISS GOTTHARDT IS SECOND LIEUTENANT IN NURSE'S CORPS

Miss Helen Gotthardt, former nurse in charge of the W. M. A. hospital until about one year ago, has received her commission as Second Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Nurse's Corps.

Miss Gotthardt has enlisted for overseas duty and is subject to a 24-hour call. In the meantime, she is helping out at St. Joseph's Hospital, Alton.

Cadets will remember Miss Gotthardt as a most capable nurse. She is well qualified for the important duty of caring for the ill or wounded in the U. S. armed forces. Good luck to Lieut. Gotthardt!

Do you like that Southern accent of the McMurray twins?

FORMER SCHOOL NURSE MEETS GRAD IN AFRICA

Word was received from Lieut. Helen Gotthardt, U. S. Army nurse, who was in charge of the W. M. A. hospital for several years, that she met one of her cadets, now Lieut. Bob Epsteen, '42, in North Africa. They had an enjoyable reunion. Epsteen's home is in Chicago. Miss Gotthardt is from Alton. Epsteen was formerly a cadet officer here and a star athlete, especially in football.

Mild Wave Of Flu Strikes Western

For the past ten days a mild wave of respiratory infection, sometimes called "flu", has struck Western. That usually happens once a year during the winter, especially after cadets have returned from a furlough.

The "flu" has been in light form and only around 35 cadets at a time were affected. They usually have been able to return to classes within a few days.

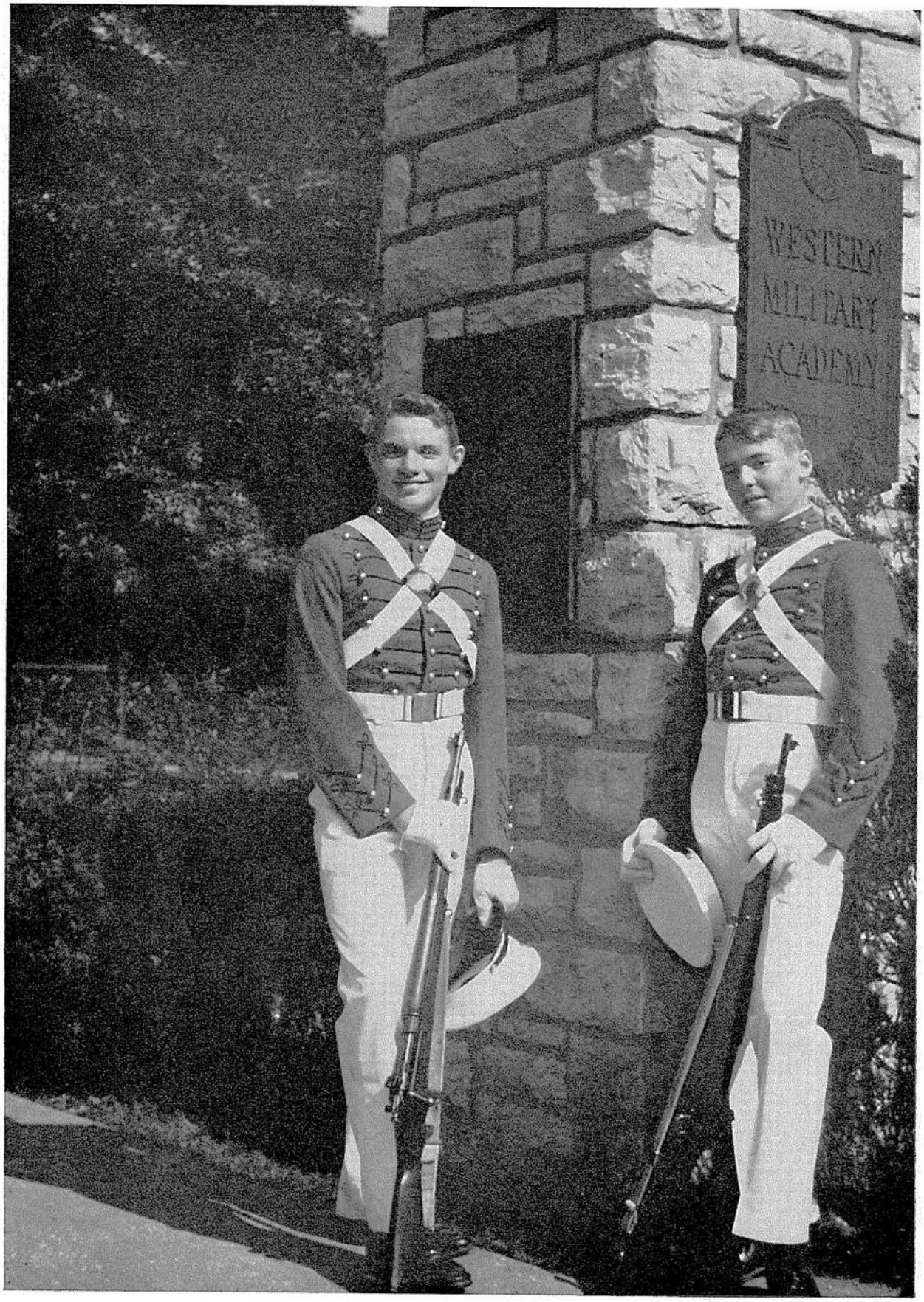
However, the Academy hospital was overflowed, and, as in former years, a temporary hospital was set up in the field house. Miss Helen Gotthardt, the school nurse, knows how to meet such emergencies. She obtained extra nurses and other help needed to care for cadets, and she kept a vigilant eye upon those not feeling well. Col. Jackson wrote all parents and stated that they would be informed if their sons became seriously ill.

So far activities have not been curtailed at W.M.A., and the "flu" wave is subsiding rapidly.

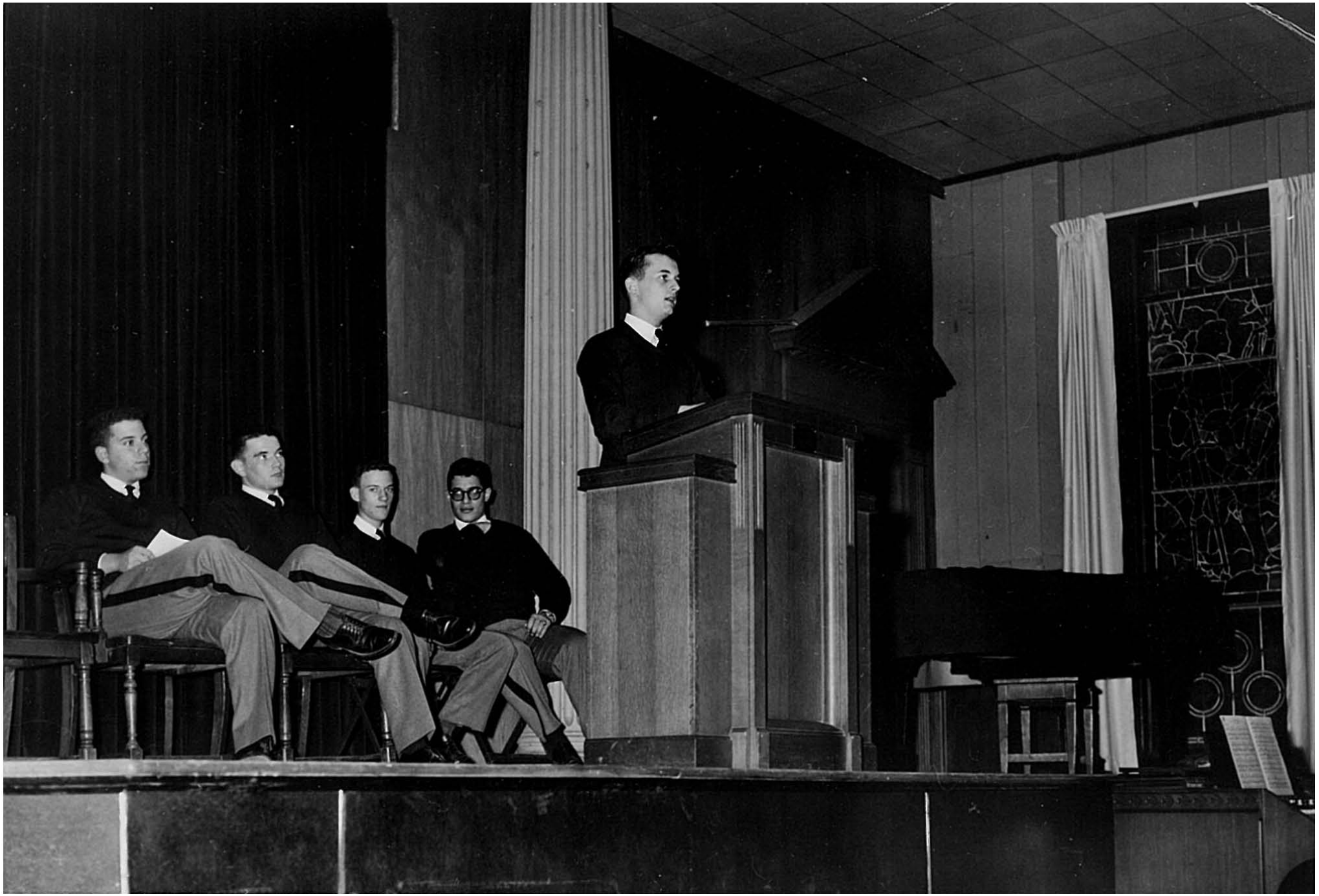
COLD AND SORE THROAT EPIDEMIC HITS SCHOOL

During the past week a cold and sore throat epidemic has hit Western, hospitalizing over forty cadets. The epidemic though of not of a serious nature, includes minor respiratory diseases such as colds and upset stomachs. Miss Gotthardt, school nurse, has employed extra nurses from the local hospitals to help during the emergency. The cadets are kept in bed for twenty-four to forty-eight hours after their fever becomes normal as a precautionary measure.

This epidemic, however, is no cause for alarm as there are usually a large number of colds at this time of the year. Another military academy reports over 140 cadets in the hospital during its cold epidemic.



Formality is momentarily relaxed and the "boy" shines through in a smile.



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MAJOR

PROGRESS IN LEADERSHIP—PRIVATE TO MAJOR

Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph — Photo by Robert Graul

DOWN THE HATCH!

Cadets swarm into the canteen for the "pause that refreshes." This candid shot at the counter shows, left to right, Tom Keay, St. Elmo, Ill., surrounding an ice cream soda; Andrew Wiley, Chicago, with mouth watering for a sandwich; Frank Russo, St. Louis, inhaling a hamburger; Louis Crandall, St. Louis, gurgling at the pop bottle; and Sid Ashen-Brenner, St. Louis, about to take a bite.

ESPRIT DE CORPS

A distinct undercurrent of feeling exists at Western which is not found in many military schools—the attitudes that exist between old and new boys. Unlike stories we hear from some schools, where enmity between "Plebes" and old boys is common talk, there is a feeling of comradeship among members of the W. M. A. corps. During the opening days, old students have many times stopped to help a new man orient himself. They have always been willing to lend a hand or to show the new man the details of school life. Plebes at Western are fortunate to be in a school where "hazing" is not a traditional practice and the spirit is one of friendly cooperation.

Col. R. L. Jackson Makes Changes In Some Regulations

Corps Is Pleased With Added Privileges Which New Rules Bring

On Friday evening, Colonel Jackson entertained the military seniors at a dinner party at his table. After dinner had been served, the group adjourned to the school parlors, where affairs of the school were discussed.

Into Effect At Once

Colonel Jackson had several suggestions for changes in customs and regulations of Western. His ideas came as a great surprise to the military seniors but were received with interest and enthusiasm. The Colonel's plan is to give an increased amount of personal freedom to cadets. The older cadets present assured him that the corps would appreciate these additional privileges and that they believed all would cooperate and not abuse any of the freedom. Colonel Jackson stated that the changes would go into effect at once.

Summary Of Changes

The changes in regulations and customs follow.

1. For many years cadets at Western while in the barracks have had to ask permission from the floor chief if they wished to leave their rooms for any purpose. Hereafter, a cadet may leave his own room after call to quarters for any sufficient reason without asking the floor chief. He will not leave his floor in the barracks. Also, congregating in the rooms will not be permitted.

Free After Breakfast

2. During the period between breakfast and school call (approxi-

Col. R. L. Jackson Makes Changes

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his room prepared for inspection. It has been customary to have formal call to quarters at this time. From now on, there will be no call to quarters after breakfast. Inspections will be made during the first two periods. It will be the duty of each cadet to get his room ready at his own convenience between reveille and school call. The advantage of this change can be seen. An energetic cadet can prepare his room before breakfast and then will have that half-hour after breakfast to visit the Q. M., go over to the study hall for study, or to attend to any other matters.

More Time For Activities

3. The period after supper until study hour call (6:30 to 7:45) has come to be known at the "activities period." During this time are held many rehearsals, meetings, and conferences. It is planned to keep the library open at this time and to increase rather than decrease the many interesting happenings occurring then. Hereafter, cadets may sign out of their quarters during this "activity period" for the purpose of attending any recognized activity. A list of times and places will be furnished by the Commandant.

Optional Sunday Breakfast

4. Cadets who wish to sleep late on Sunday morning may do so. There will be no regular mess call for Sunday morning breakfast. Those who care to may come for this meal between 7:45 and 8:15 A. M. Service will be a la carte. Those who get up too late for breakfast may find an opportunity to get toast, coffee, and fruit in the canteen.

Cadets Are Pleased

This sums up the list of changes announced by Colonel Jackson. The new cadets may not understand fully the importance of these changes. The old boys, however, will fully appreciate two important aspects: first, that these changes will add greatly to the pleasure, comfort, and convenience of life at Western; second, that they carry with them responsibilities. It is easy for all cadets to express their thanks in words. But the only adequate way to show appreciation is to give full cooperation and to determine not to engage in or to permit any abuse of these added privileges. Colonel Jackson's actions show that he believes our cadets are reliable enough to be trusted with these additional concessions. No one can afford to violate this confidence that the Colonel has in the

Riding News

Have you seen those two excellent specimens of mulehood parading around the campus lately? No, they are not new additions to our stable of superior saddle horses; they are merely recruits for our time squad to help keep the athletic fields in shape.

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Capt. Doan held a long postponed meeting of the show-riding group last Sunday evening to clear up any questions concerning the coming spring horse shows. Nine horses from our stable are going to be entered. The remainder will be rented through private stables in St. Louis. Thirty-eight cadets have responded to Capt. Doan's call for riders interested in this activity. Only 20 cadets are eligible for the trip, however, because of inadequate transportation facilities. There will be two classes competing in the show, beginning and advanced. The beginning group will be composed of riders who have not won ribbons in any St. Louis horse show. The affair will be a strictly formal occasion, with the cadets wearing the regulation riding breeches and fatigue jacket. Each rider trying for the team will have special instruction two days a week. Riders who are out for other athletic teams will ride on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons during uptown leave. This will make it convenient for every rider to come for regular practice sessions. Those interested only in jumping will practice from 4:30 to 5:00.

FIREMEN TO RESCUE

Thursday night a small grass fire spread to within ten feet of "E' 'Barracks and threatened the army truck parked there.

John Dodge rushed to the rescue, though when he saw the danger, he and a few men tried to beat out the flames with brooms, but this attempt failed.

Dodge then had the fire hose handed to him through the window. Haycraft turned on the water but he had forgotten to connect the hose, and the water came gushing into the hall. Haycraft tried again, and this time made the connection. A leak sprang in the hose but Haycraft bravely stuck his finger in the hole. Dodge was able to put the fire out, and no one was injured.

Haycraft and Dodge are thinking of becoming pro-firemen.

—By Lucas, W.

SENIOR SLATE

The only big news before furlough was the trip to Monticello. It started with a bang, huh Douglas? The cadets had a wonderful time. On the way home, McQuiston got the idea of playing cop. That is when those famous words were uttered, "Slow down you mutha!" The Good Lord finally saved us by sending a black wagon to tow us home. Very pleasant night, huh, Bennie ?

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Besides this we heard that the chemistry was studying smoke scenes, which were put to a good use.

We think that Thorny finally found

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a home. He wasn't happy in "B" anyway.

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Now that "Romeo" Spradling has put his Don Juan charms on a new little lady at Baldwin, we may expect another line for dimes at the Q.M.

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Guion Magee seems to have a complex about being late to class. What happened, Guy; did you lose your speed?

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We see in view a rush for Argyle socks at the Q.M. Get your shopping done early this year.

Tough Tom and Rough Rick

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Col. and Mrs. R. B. Jackson had a group of Lower School cadets in their quarters last Sunday night to see colored television shows. All of the cadets enjoyed the program very much.

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Salgado, T. was stung on the neck by a wasp in Maj. Hinton's class Monday, but he didn't even jump. The Major said that the wasp should have picked on Hayes, who was about to go to sleep.

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Cochran and Londoff have again been challenged as Western's handsomest roommates, this time by J. F. (Romeo) Hughes and S. S. (Horsecollar) Multin. Looks like a real feud.

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A word to our mothers! Take notice! Now that G. I. is over, we are all well qualified to scrub your floors, polish the furniture, clean the windows, and shine anything that you have. We can even sew on buttons.

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JUNIOR JABBOR

by Bruce and Pete

This week had several highlights. The Monti dance was enjoyable, and now the 'phones are always busy. A good many Juniors went and had a wonderful time.

—J—

The third floor of "B" has organized a varsity "frisbee" team, using the lids of G.I. cans for equipment.

—J—

We want to express sincere thanks to the time squad for doing a wonderful job in cleaning up the square.

—J—

We hear that Cariss is deathly afraid of Monti girls — eh, Leroy?

—J—

Choir practice at the square tonight at the usual time.

—J—

Any loyal Junior who wants to pay a dime to say "hello" to his girl in this column should see Bruce, and he will oblige. This week the list is short. Hello, Doris, Martha, Diana, Mary, and Judy.

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Only seven more days until furlough.

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My! Look what they've done to Parson Brown!!

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An Alton girl has installed a 'phone to accommodate Dahl and Knowles.

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Peara is so short he steps in the seat of his own pants when he drills.

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Peara, in history class: "But, sir, Muzzey must be wrong."

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The new toy machine gun down in the canteen seems to have completely taken the place of the old nickelodeon.

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Mooney had a rest in the hospital, because of a pound of fudge, calisthenics, and some other element.

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Question of the week: What happened to Foegeding when it came time to fire the cannon in last week's parade?

Moe Is No Moe

A whimsical bugler named Moe,
Who thought it was funny to blow
His horn at eleven,
Is now up in Heaven,
Which ain't where they told him to go.

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We hear that Shep Black used some mature words in English class.

Overnight Ride To Lake Warren Levis

By Pelzer

Last Saturday night a group of cadets enjoyed an overnight horse-back ride to the Boy Scout camp on Lake Warren Levis about ten miles from Western. They were accompanied by Lieut. Col. McMillin.

They reached their destination and pitched tents to sleep in. They wandered around exploring the lake and the dam. They returned to eat a supper of hot dogs, baked beans, bananas, and cookies.

During the night each cadet went on duty for one hour to guard the horses. In the morning Grimm and Jeffrey acted as chefs for a breakfast of eggs and toast. The leisurely ride back was on Sunday morning.

Cadets on the trip were Lloyd, F., Lloyd, B., Sauter, Jeffrey, Grimm, Bean, Fletcher, G., Cox, Williams, Pelzer, Woodruff, Harkness, Lelly, McNeer, Sweeney, and Schroeter.

IMPORTANT! BRING RATION BOOKS

All cadets entering Western, both old end new, must bring their ration books 3 and 4 with them. These must be brought at the opening of school. It is a government ruling that these books must be brought by cadets before the school can get its quota of food supplies for the mess hall.

These books will be kept in Maj. Magee's office and will be returned to the cadets when they go home.

NOTICE TO CADETS WANTING TO RIDE

Cadets who wish to enjoy horseback riding must have their parents' written permission to do so. It will speed up matters if these cadets bring written permission to Maj. Magee at the start of school. The fee for 30 hours of riding is $25.00.

CONCERNING GLASSES

Major Persing suggests that it may be wise for cadets who wear glasses to bring an extra pair with them, or at least the optician's prescription. In the past, some cadets have lost valuable time by breaking their glasses.

Col. Reasoner Lends Rare Collection Of Weapons To School

Many Rare Pieces Are Now On Display In Military Class Room

Col. Mathew A. Reasoner of Alton recently made a gift loan of a part of his interesting weapon collection to Western's military department. About thirty-five rare guns, pistols, swords, battle axes and other curios are now on display in a handsome case in the military class room.

Col. Reasoner served for many years as a medical officer in the Philippines and was with the U. S. Army in Germany till 1921. He was recently called from retirement to active duty as P. M. S. tnd T. of St. Louis University. He is a collector of and an authority on weapons. Some of the most interesting Medieval pieces in the case he secured from an old castle in Germany.

Many Ancient Guns

The collection is in excellent condition and all pieces are beautifully polished. The history of fire-arms can be traced from the cross-bow, made of steel and brass, which was a German weapon of around 1300, on down to the breech-loading rifle. In the group is a handsomely ornamented blunderbuss, with bugle shaped mouth, matchlocks, flint lock rifles, percussion cap rifles, etc. There is one gun in the shape of a walking cane.

The war implements of Medieval times are of great interest. These include a battle axe, a battle mace, pikes, and a grisly instrument called the "morning star"—a sort of club containing a star-shaped knob on the end of a thong. This knob would wrap around a victim's head, inflicting deep wounds. Also a headsman's axe can be seen. It was actually used to behead people.

The pistols are ancient and many have intricate designs. They date back

Cadets Enjoy Boat Rides On Lovely Mississippi River

More and more cadets are flocking to "Ole Man River", the mighty Mississippi which flows past Alton. Above the dam at Alton the river is backed up into a smooth lake over 30 miles long and often two miles wide. The water has become a recreation spot for people of this area, and many kinds of river craft, from sailboats to speed boats and cabin cruisers can be seen every day. On the Illinois side picturesque bluffs, palisades, rise 250 feet above the river. On the Missouri side, the country is flat. Boat and yacht clubs have been built, as well as many club houses.

Cadets have enjoyed the river. Col. R. B. Jackson and Maj. C. B. Jackson are often taking groups for boat rides. They have a new speed boat with two 40-horsepower outboard motors.

Last Wednesday, Col. and Maj. Jackson took these cadets for rides and an outing on the Mississippi: Bartle, Chatelain, McConachie, Miller, R., Demsky, Bainter, S., Murchison, McGrady, Cowen, Small, Lee, Lang, Yoch, Tanner, Earp, Cook, J., Caruthers, Mahan, and Webber.

Sunday Col. Jackson had McConachie, Crum, Davidson, T., Foster, Wood, R., Mahan, and Caruthers on the water. They did some water skiing and much sightseeing. There were many boats out, including several large yachts.

On Thursday Maj. Jackson took Parra, Block, Corn, Salgado, Villalobos, and Miguel for a ride in the new speedboat. Miguel rode the skis, and Parra tried but could not get upright.

Also about a dozen cadets had a special treat. Mr. C. A. MacFall, father of Cadet MacFall, took a party on his 41-foot cabin cruiser. It is a beauty—14 ft. wide and 13 ft. high. It will sleep 8 people, has a galley (kitchen), 2 toilets hot and cold running water, shower, and twin Diesel 150's engines.

Those who went were Lange, John-

PLAYED PING PONG WITH LORETTA YOUNG

One highlight of the trip that several cadets made this summer to Mexico with Capt. Williams was the meeting of Loretta Young, lovely movie star, who was spending some time with her husband at the hotel where the Western party stayed.

The cadets were playing ping pong on a balcony overlooking the patio where Loretta Young and her husband were dining. A ball flew over the rail and fell in Miss Young's salad. However, she was a good sport and her husband batted it back with a table spoon. Miss Young then came upon the balcony and played ping pong with the cadets. Duaei seemed to be very popular. Miss Young wore dark glasses, and afterwards it was noticed that the party of cadets also wore dark glasses, as Capt. Williams said, even in a dark room.

Big Game Hunters, Brusky And Marshak, Bag Fierce 'Possum

Big game hunters, Brusky and Marshak, had success last Sunday morning, as all the barracks can testify.

With Col. Moore's permission, they were allowed to set some traps in the wilds beyond the pond. They always got up at 5:30 A. M. to check their traps.

Early Sunday morning, when most of the cadets wanted to sleep late, Brusky and Marshak found big game in one of the traps, a large, fat, male 'possum. They were as thrilled as if it had been an elephant. They hauled both the trap and the 'possum back to the barracks. They wanted Benson, the animal authority here, to help them release the varmint from the trap. Not knowing his room number, they called him over the loud speaker, thus arousing many sleepy and angry cadets, who were ready to do violence to the hunters.

However, Benson did get up, and he freed the live 'possum and put it in his lab. The trappers had planned to slay the animal, but they have now become interested in it, and it may become a pet. No one knows what its fate will be fate, but the fate of Brusky and Marshak will be pretty certain if they arouse the barracks again so early in the morning.

Cadets Have Fun At Gymkana On Hallowe'en Night

By Paulson

On Tuesday night, October 31, the cadets celebrated Hallowe'en with a gymkana. It was an evening of fun, as all kinds of amusing games and contests were held, with cadets cheering for their favorite teams. Faculty officers acted as referees.

The competition was among groups from the various barracks. "A" Barracks finished in first place.

SIX CONTESTS

The six events were as follows:

1. Basketball dribbling and shooting, won by "A".
2. Penny pushing with noses, won by "D".
3. Single man sock races, won by "A".
4. Piggy-back races, won by "C".
5. Wheelbarrow races, won by "C".
6. Turn around and bat with hose on one end, won by "E".

The scoring points were: 1st place 6, 2nd place 4, 3rd place 3, 4th place 2, 5th place, one point.

The final results were "A" Barracks 27 points, "C" Barracks 21, "E" Barracks 20, "B" Barracks 18, "D" Barracks 12.

The reward for all was orange drinks and doughnuts. The boys from the winning "A" Barracks were given an extra hour of sleep the next morning.

MODEL TRAIN CLUB BECOMES ACTIVE

by Bert Hyman

Col. Jackson has brought his "Hand O" scale model train equipment into the library. Several cadets have been working on it, and all of the track that was damaged last year has been replaced.

Col. Jackson has five trains, several miniature houses and buildings, and many other things that make a model railroad complete. He will let the members of the club use it as soon as they prove capable of taking care of it. He does not want some of the equipment destroyed as it was last year.

There will be two groups of railroaders, the Eastern and the Western. Each group will use certain trains and certain areas of track.

MTO Holds Party For Orphans On Hallowe'en Night

By Jackson and Hutter

On Hallowe'en night ten cadets sponsored by the MTO traveled to downtown Alton and held a party for some 70 orphans at the Catholic Orphanage.

The cadets, Maag, E., Wiegel, Voiles, A., Jackson, Van Cleave, Mann, Hutter, Williams, K., Kopcha, and Scarpinato felt that the party, besides being a great success, was one of the most rewarding experiences of their lives. The cadets became brothers to the orphans, who beamed up at them as they held their hands. The children really enjoyed the party and felt that there was someone who really cared.

The party started with a treasure hunt for pumpkins filled with candy. Then there was a musical chairs game with the winners receiving a model airplane. The next game was charades, and many winners received magic dolls. Then the children played "whistle, whistle" and "drop the handkerchief".

The children by that time had become very attached to the cadets and insisted that they take their "brothers" to see their rooms and playthings.

After the cadets had a tour of the Home, everyone went to the dining room for refreshments of cake, ice cream, and orange drinks supplied by the MTO. At 9:30 it was time to go, and more than one cadet felt sorry to leave when he was asked by a sweet child, "May I come with you, brother?"

BOATING AND SKIING WILL BEGIN SOON

by George Sprankle

Since the weather has become warm, many cadets have become interested in boating, sailing, and water skiing.

Col. Jackson, who has a fine speed boat, will probably take several groups for boating and skiing soon on the Alton Lake.

Many cadets will hike to the bluffs for climbing and exploring caves.

Monti Girls Speak At War Chest Drive In Cadet Assembly

Western Cadets Speak At Other Schools To Help Start Campaign

The Community War Chest Drive was launched in assembly Tuesday by Col. Jackson and a group of speakers from Monticello College. Col. Jackson said that he was chairman of the drive in the three boarding schools of Alton, Shurtleff College, Monticello College, and Western. Their combined quota was around $3,000. Monticello girls started a campaign which already has totaled $2100. The quota for the Alton area is $210,000.

Cadet Spiva of Western spoke at the opening of the drive at Monticello. Cadet Crandall made a fine talk at Shurtleff College. Davey and Monnier also helped start the campaigns.

Tuesday Col. Jackson introduced Mr. Audley Sullivan, personnel director at Monticello, and Miss Nancy Huling. The two speakers were Miss Gail Wehrmeyer and Miss Jackie Copeland of Monticello, both attractive young ladies and good speakers.

Girls Show The Way

Miss Wehrmeyer told the purpose of the War Chest. It is to take care of local charity agencies, U. S. O. centers, soldiers' relief, foreign relief, and all organizations that help on the home and foreign front during this war.

Miss Copeland pointed out that in America we are well off and that soldiers abroad make the real sacrifices. She also said that we as students come from families of comfortable means. We can afford it. "But this is our own private party," she said. "Don't write home for money. We'll go over the top by making sacrifices."

Both speakers said that the Monti girls are giving up cokes, chocolate malts, shows, etc., in order to contribute to the War Fund. They are saving from their allowances.

The young ladies were very effective in presenting the cause and were heartily applauded.

Maj. Henderson closed the meeting by saying that he was sure Western cadets would do their part as well as the Monticello girls have.

Major Persing is chairman of the collection drive at Western. The total subscriptions will be reported

Western Goes Over Top In War Chest Fund Campaign

Three Alton Boarding Schools Almost Double Quota In Drive

Western more than went over the top in the drive for the Community Chest War Fund last week. Cadets and faculty together contributed $2,704.50.

The three boarding schools of Alton, Western, Shurtleff College, and Monticello College, almost doubled their quota. The sum of $3,000 had been assigned to them. Western gave $2704.50, Monticello $2200, and Shurtleff over $800, making a total of over $5700. If other groups in the city do as well, the goal of $215,000 will be easily reached.

In the drive, students of the three schools helped one another by sending student speakers to present the needs of the War Chest. Shurtleff speakers recently at Western were Misses Georgia Bonnell and Delphine Wilson. Cadets Spiva, Crandall, Davey, and Monnier were W. M. A. representatives.

Col. Jackson was chairman of the school drive. Maj. Persing was chairman at Western. Maj. Henderson organized cadets in the barracks, who made the campaign, took pledges, and made collections.

The patriotism of the three boarding schools is to commended. The War Fund will take care of all local relief agencies, foreign relief, services to men in the armed forces, etc., for the entire year.

SOPHS SPONSOR KOREAN ORPHAN

By Hal Holshoy

The Sophomore Class has undertaken a very worthy project, the sponsoring of a Korean orphan, Wi Kyung Nan, a five-year-old girl. The members voted to send her to school this year, and her education will be continued by Sophomore Classes of the future.

The class needs 125 dollars to sponsor her. At the first collection meeting an March 29 only 41 dollars was contributed. Every member is urged to give his share of one dollar and a half.

Load Of Clothing Donated To Greeks

The cadets and faculty donated a truck load of clothes for Greek Relief last week. Mrs. F. N. Henderson told the cadets in assembly about the great need for clothes of any kind by the Greeks, who have been unusually hard hit by the war and by German oppressors.

The response was immediate, and there was danger among some cadets that articles they needed would be given away. However, Maj. Henderson checked the gifts and prevented anyone from contributing clothes that he would need. In the amount were seventy pair of cadet trousers, some worn so that they were not acceptable for formations, but still warm and useful. Sweat shirts, sox, old jackets, etc. were donated. Major Henderson estimated that there was at least one article for every cadet and faculty member of the school.

The clothing was collected by the truck of Mr. Gust Maggos of Alton, who won national recognition for aiding Greek Relief and for selling war bonds.

"March Of Dimes" Drive Starts Here To Combat Polio

By Fisher, L.

Last week the "March of Dimes" campaign to aid in fighting polio got under way on the Western campus. It was launched with a short speech by Baker in Chapel, who urged everyone to give generously to help those who are stricken by the dread disease.

Today infantile paralysis is one of the most serious diseases in the country, and last year brought the biggest epidemic in history. It is believed that for every case discovered, there were three to five overlooked. Polio usually attacks just one member of a family. This family may be yours, and you could be the victim. Your donation may actually help you. Nurses, medical care, iron lungs, rocking beds, and healing are provided by the "March of Dimes" fund.

Last year at Western the donation of $325.00 was one of the highest amounts ever given here.

Each barrack chief has received a jar for the donations, and Costello will call upon the faculty.

CADET SQUADS GUARD EISENHOWER PICTURES AT MONTICELLO COLLEGE

Last Saturday Monticello College held an art exhibit which featured pictures painted of Alton and surrounding places. Among these were two pictures painted by President Eisenhower. They were displayed in a special case near the main building.

Fourteen cadets acted as a guard for these pictures by the President, with two cadets, one on each side, always on duty. Many visitors viewed the paintings.

The first shift of cadets from 10:00 to 1:00 was as follows: Maddox, J., commander, Cameron, Brown, Kirkpatrick, Thompson, Schwartz, R., and Gemberling.

The afternoon shift: Keith, commander, Blitstein, Dahm, Macauley, Bell, Adelman, and Smith, M.

By Blitstein

Bits of Shrapnel

We hear that George Dain has been having nightmares about dog leashes. Could it be something that Ed Thomas told him?

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Once again Station VOC has been revived. Requests are gladly accepted and a bulletin telling station, times, and where to put requests will be posted in each barracks.

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It's the truth—during the tornado when Heyman called for volunteers for a relief mission to Africa, 30 cadets piled into the Commandant's Office. The power of suggestion can't be that great.

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As far as we could tell, March came in like a lion and acted like a whole jungle full of lions during the whole time.

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While cadets were away on furlough, another tornado struck near Alton at the town of Elsah near Principia College. Much property was damaged but no one was killed.

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Only seven cadets were left at Western during the Easter furlough. Needless to say, they enjoyed a complete vacation also.

LIEUT. GENERAL WALKER COMMENDS CADETS FOR WORK IN TORNADO AREA

Lieut. General Walton H. Walker, Commanding General of the Fifth Army, Headquarters at Chicago, is the latest one to offer commendation to Western cadets for their aid last month when Fosterburg, just four miles from the school, was destroyed by a tornado.

General Walker's letter follows.

19 April 1948

Colonel Ralph L. Jackson III
Superintendent
Western Military Academy
Alton, Illinois

Dear Colonel Jackson:

The action of a company of Western Military Academy cadets after the recent tornado at Fosterburg, Illinois, has been brought to my attention.

The exemplary action of these young men in maintaining order, installing emergency communication, and assisting the civilian populace wherever possible is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service. Their conduct and bearing in this emergency reflect considerable credit upon your academy and the training these young men have received under your direction.

This letter is to record and to express my deepest appreciation to you, your academy and the Corps of Cadets for this outstanding service. I trust that you will convey to all the cadets and any other participants my personal congratulations for a job well done.

Faithfully yours,
Walton H. Walker
Lieutenant General,
United States Army
Commanding

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The kitchen staff at Western cooked a complete meal for several hundred persons last Saturday in the Academy kitchen. The food was sent out to the Fosterburg-Bunker Hill area to feed the workers who were helping residents clean up and rebuild after the tornado. This service was provided through the courtesy of Col. Jackson.

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Cadets Battle Flood Waters On Mississippi Levee Near Alton

Western cadets spent part of their last week at school answering an emergency call for help in fighting the flood menace near Granite City, Ill. The Mississippi, at its highest point in 99 years, threatened to engulf the farming and industrial section in that area, as it has already done in many other sections.

Col. Jackson received the call for help Monday afternoon. As the cadets have always done in time of need, every man in the corps volunteered to go to the stricken district. The school bus and truck could take only about sixty at a time.

The first shift went at 4:00 P. M. Monday and worked till midnight. Another group relieved them and worked till 8:00 A. M. Still another shift went down early Tuesday morning with the idea of working all day. Col. Jackson, Major Magee, and tactical officers were in charge of the cadets.

The boys found that it was no "play job." The swollen river was creeping to the top of the levee, slowly but surely. The cadets joined an army of men who were stacking sand-bags on the levee. To catch a heavy sack of sand and place it on the embankment was back-breaking work. Four cadets received a ducking when a barge settled beneath them in the water. Sandwiches and coffee were served, and Mrs. McCurdy kept food waiting in the mess hall for the wet, weary, returning shifts.

The cadets have the satisfaction of knowing that they rendered valuable service in fighting the worst Mississippi flood since 1844.

THOSE WHO WORKED ON RIVER LEVEE

Two groups of cadets were sent out to work on the river Sunday. The first group consisted of twenty cadets, who left in old clothes ready to work at ten-thirty A. M. Those in the first group were: Barry, Bill, Clarke, Davey, Floyd, Fuchs, Harrington, Hartmann, J., Hobson, Jackson, T., Lawson, Long, McDonald, Mahoney, Roantree, Ross, Sullivan, Taich, Van Ausdall, and Vosburgh.

The second group left at one-thirty P. M. They were: Austin, Bennett, Berg, Buxton, Conley, Elizondo, Farish, Finazzo, Fowler, Galvin, D., Gottfried, Haggerty, Hullverson, Jach, Jorgensen, T., Leach, Lidkea, Metz, Meyer, D., Miller, Mills, Multin, Quinlin, Rau, Reinhard, Scofield, Shaffer, S., Spurgeon, Thompson, J., Wagner, G., Wagner, R., Walters, Weible, and Wright. There were 35 cadets in this second group.

Bits of Shrapnel

Western Mess Hall Will Cooperate In Food Conservation

Following President Truman's plea earlier this week to conserve food, Mrs. Green, dietitian, issued the following announcement concerning the policy to be followed in the Western mess hall:

The Western Military Academy diningroom will, as have all branches of the Military Service, follow the President's plea for self-denial in food conservation, in order to help the people who are starving in other countries.

Until further advised by the Government, we will serve no meat on Tuesdays and no eggs or poultry on Thursdays.

We will ration ourselves to 3 slices of bread per person at each meal.

We will pledge ourselves not to waste food at any meal.

Fayma L. Green,
Dietitian

This plea is being followed voluntarily by most of the homes, restaurants, and hotels throughout the entire country.

NINETEEN CADETS LOSE WEIGHT AT DIET TABLE; THREE ACTUALLY GAIN

The diet table which has been operating for several weeks was discontinued last week. Any results? You bet! Several cadets have had to have uniforms taken up since the slimming process. They now look less like Capt. Hinton and more like Capt. Lamping. They have that slender form which refuses to bulge even in a dress uniform.

Mrs. Kibby offered some folding money to the cadet who lost the most weight. Bell lost 18½ pounds and won the prize. Hope he doesn't spend it on chocolate candy. Michel, Wells, and Zisook were the next greatest losers.

There were twenty-two on the diet tables, eating special menus planned by Mrs. Green. Sixteen lost from 8 to 18½ pounds in the first three weeks. Three others lost from 3 to 6 pounds in that time. The remaining three actually gained ½ pound each; so there is a strong suspicion that they were not following the rules and were sneaking in snacks between meals.

Now that President Truman has asked the nation to save food, we may have meatless Tuesdays and Thursdays without poultry or eggs. All government food places, the White House, the Army, the Navy, and the Air Corps have adopted such a program.

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Don Hale, former star athlete, who was on the campus for the C. B. C. football game, was one of the most decorated grads during the recent war.

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Prize Prime Beef Will Be Served In W. M. A. Mess Hall

As he did last year, Col. R. L. Jackson has purchased another blue ribbon "Prime Beef" from the Kanecroft Aberdeen-Angus Farms, owned by Mr. J. C. Aldous at Kane, Ill. This prime steer, weighing around 1300 pounds dressed, will be served to cadets in the dining room in the form of steaks, and roasts.

This steer, rated as "prime," is the very finest beef that can be bought. Such an extra premium is charged for such meat that it is usually found only in the exclusive, very best hotel restaurants. Such a beef is the result of breeding, care, and scientific feeding.

As Mr. Aldous said, "The best beef has a liberal amount of fat, and the thick slices, not overcooked, will retain juices and flavor." Good beef does not require spicy sauces to make it eatable.

The Aberdeen-Angus breed, famous as beef cattle, originated in Scotland.

Miss Bandeen says that the beef is aging and seasoning in the school refrigerators. Soon it will be just right and she will have Stafford, head chef, cook the steaks and roasts for the mess hall tables. She will plan a special menu to go with the tender cuts.

Diet Table Starts For Heavy Cadets

Last Thursday the diet table started for cadets who are overweight. Its members are Crandall, D., table chief, Leibovich, asst. table chief, Carpenter, Carter, Nelson, Davidson, Malamas, Naeve, McQuiston, Johnson, Crandall, K., and Robinson.

They all had their weight and height taken by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Gould, and they needed to lose pounds. The one who loses the most will win a prize. This diet table is a special service at Western.

The food at the table is the same as the rest of the corps gets, only it has fewer calories and no heavy desserts. Mrs. Green said that those boys would be limited to 1,100 calories.

Also the canteen, the candy machines, and extra food from home are forbidden.

Where is Silverman, R.?

—By Crandall, K.

MRS. GREEN SETS UP DIET TABLE TO AID THE WEIGHT LOSERS

Again this year, Mrs. Green, Academy dietician, is maintaining a special diet table for cadets who are trying to lose weight.

The 12-man table will be on a well-balanced but low-calorie regimen. Two cadets are already on the waiting list for the dieting program. Col. Jackson will award a prize to the cadet who loses the most weight.

The participating cadets, all volunteers, are Walsh, Cook J., Cook D., Davidson T., Long D., Melcher T., Schott, Bruder, Bartle, Chatelain, French, and Foster.

Fat Cattle Mean Juicy Steaks For Western Mess Hall

Col. R. B. Jackson had Walter Laux go out in the country and purchase six fat Hereford steers which will be consumed in the Western mess hall. They will start the year off with juicy steaks and delicious roasts.

These steers are prime cattle. They have been further fattened and this past week were processed by a local packing plant in Alton. They are now hanging in cold storage, and the seasoning will add to the tenderness and flavor of the meat.

Instructions Given To Mess Chiefs And Waiters On Duties

Col. Jackson and Col. Moore want meals in the mess hall to be enjoyable. The school has made every effort to provide good food, even in these times of shortages. The mess hall should be a place of relaxation, pleasant conversation, and good food. It should not be a place of boisterousness, greediness, or rudeness.

Mrs. Green, as all can testify, does her best to keep the mess hall at top efficiency. In order to insure the merited cooperation of cadets, Col. Moore published the following memoranda concerning conduct in the mess hall:

The Mess Chief

1. The Mess Chief must be an example to those under his authority. The easiest way to teach good manners at the table is by the example you, yourself, set. Here are some of the things to watch:
   a. Proper method of holding silver
   b. How to cut meat
   c. Not to spread and eat a whole slice of bread at once
   d. Noisy eating
   e. Placing dirty silver on the table cloth
   f. Good posture at the table
2. The Mess Chief will serve the food on the plates, thus seeing that each boy gets an equal share. The boys must clean their plates and drink their milk—so this first serving should be moderate. The seconds may be passed.
3. Any misdemeanors are to be reported to the Commandant by the Mess Chiefs. In no case will the Mess Chief impose any penalty on the cadet involved.

Cadet Waiters

The following are instructions for cadets waiting on tables in the dining room, effective immediately:

1. Cadet waiters must be in the mess hall by 6:15 A. M. They will eat their breakfast and then set up their tables. A schedule will be maintained by the senior waiter of those who are to remain after breakfast and assist in cleaning and sweeping. All waiters will remain and wash ther trays and clean their tray stands.
2. Waiters will report 25 minutes before time for lunch and at 5:30 in the evening, their duties at these times will be as outlined in paragraph 1, above.
3. In placing food on the table, it will be placed in front of the head and foot of the mess table, who will serve the cadets individually.

Waiters must exercise care that filled dishes are not piled one on top of the other when bringing them into the mess hall.

4. Waiters must give particular care to their personal appearance—nails clean, hair cut short and combed, freshly shaved, coat clean.
5. Stacking of dishes by cadets at the table will not be permitted.
6. Waiters will **remain in the kitchen** until the Cadet Corps is seated.

All serving must be done **without** hurrying.

Notice! Cadet Waiters

As usual this year, because of labor shortages, cadet volunteers will be needed to wait on tables in the mess hall. They will be well paid. In addition, they will render a real service to the school, as they did last year.

Those interested in these jobs should write or see Maj. Magee as soon as possible.

MRS. GREEN DOES IT AGAIN WITH FOOD AND CHOPSTICKS

By Russ Horn

On February 6 the corps marched into the mess hall to find a touch of the Orient present. Beside each plate was a pair of chopsticks and in the center of the table a dish of fortune cookies. The food, of course, was delicious chop suey and rice. Many cadets had trouble with the foreign utensils until Col. Jackson gave expert instruction and offered a ten-dollar prize to the table which best mastered the art of chopsticks. The meal was an enjoyable change, and cadets hope that all of Mrs. Green's fortunes hold promises of good things to come.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Shurtleff College has gone to war, and the college students who used to help us by waiting on table, are now doing their bit for Uncle Sam—in the Army, in the Navy, and in the Marine Corps.

Miss Alberta Limbach, M. A., Columbia University, formerly head dietitian, Residence Halls, University of Kentucky, sends an S. O. S. for student waiters among the cadets. It is sort of like Kitchen Police, only the hours are short and there is extra pay to the tune of $8.00 a week. Lines form on the right! Make application through Major Henderson. Only old cadets of senior or junior grade will be used in the first semester.

A fellow does not have to be big like Kurtz, but he ought to be large and strong enough to handle a full tray. A chance to make a little money, which will come in handy at Christmas time, or next summer, when we hope the war may be over—we hope, we hope, we hope!

Mysterious Trips Made At Night By Truck Of Western

Often at midnight a truck rolls away from the Western campus and hums toward the city of St. Louis. Just before daybreak it comes whizzing back. What is the meaning of these trips in the dead of night? It simply means that Walter Laux has gone to the vegetable market for the school's supply of fresh vegetables.

The market in St. Louis is at its busiest from midnight to 5:00 A. M. Farmers and produce men bring in their freshest vegetables and buyers bid them in. Beneath the glare of electric lights, farm products are sold. By daylight everything is gone. In order to get the best and the freshest, one must attend this sale. So Walter Laux makes these mysterious jaunts. Even Miss Limbach, the dietitian, sometimes goes along to help choose the vegetables and fruits. Often the truck will come back with sacks of choice potatoes, crates of celery or oranges, or baskets of ripe tomatoes. Beans, corn, melons—all vegetables and fruit in season—are for sale at the open market. In order to supply the mess hall with the best, the school truck rolls while the cadets still sleep. As Walter says, "The early bird catches the worm, and the vegetables

Western Cadets Are Taking Part In Dental Project

By Forsberg

Western cadets are taking part in a research program for Crest toothpaste, which contains stanisfluoride. Last week two doctors, Dr. Mueller and Dr. Bixler, assisted by several nurses or hygienists, set up X-rays and equipment in the recreation room.

Teeth Examined

First the doctors checked all teeth for cavities. Then the attractive young nurses took six x-rays of each cadet's teeth. Each cadet received tooth paste and brushes, and he will follow the program of taking care of the teeth. During the year one of the hygienists will make spot checks on brushing methods and results. Near the end of the year another thorough inspection will be made to test the effectiveness of the tooth paste in cleaning teeth and preventing decay and cavities.

The Crest tooth paste has a scientific formulaa and is professionally endorsed.

GOOD RESULTS FROM ORAL HYGIENE PROGRAM AT WESTERN

Col. Jackson has received a report from Dr. David Bixler of the Indiana University School of Dentistry on the condition of cadets' teeth at Western and the incidence of tooth decay.

A program of dental care has been carried on at W.M.A. by these competent authorities with checks made by trained nurses during the past two years.

The report compared Western cadets to those of two similar schools which had the same program. It showed 71 per cent of W.M.A. cadets were average or above average in the condition of their teeth as compared to 68 and 59 per cent in the two other schools.

The report stated that this result was caused by the stimulation of interest of the cadets in oral hygiene. Dr. Bixler would like to continue the oral hygiene checks and education program at Western.

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Now, we all wait for our "old man" privileges. If we haven't gotten them yet, no fair bribing floor chiefs.

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New Cadets Guests Of Colonel Jackson At Formal Dinner

Dinner Is First Of Series; Delicious Menu Is Served

By Benjamin, R.

Col. and Mrs. R. B. Jackson held the first formal dinner for new cadets last Monday evening.

It has been the custom at Western for several years to have the new cadets at formal dinners given by the Superintendent.

Formal invitations were sent out, and the cadets sent back formal notes of acceptance. The ten guests were at Col. Jackson's table, which was tastefully decorated. Mrs. Jackson looked beautiful in her formal.

Those Present

The cadets were from table No. 1, as follows: Brown, L., Gemberling, Gonzalez, T., Blumenfeld, Tann, Meyer, A., Washburn, Keith, Fleischer, and Beddingfield.

Mrs. Green had planned a special, delicious menu, and it was prepared by Stafford as follows: salted nuts, shrimp cocktail with sauce, Ritz crackers, bouillon and toasted croutons, celery and olives, turkey in pattie shells with mushroom sauce, baked potato boats with cheese sauce, French fried egg plant, tomato and cottage cheese salad, triscuits, angel cake a la mode, coffee.

Purpose Of Dinners

The purpose of these dinners is to serve as training in etiquette and to give new cadets an enjoyable formal dinner. They also enable Col. Jackson to become better acquainted with the new boys. Special menus are always prepared, and the meal is faultlessly served. All new cadets will be invited in turn.

One of the new cadets said, "This is one experience that I will always remember." All of the guests had a wonderful time.

Col. Jackson Has Another Steak Fry

By Stewart

Col. and Mrs. R. L. Jackson had a fifth table of new cadets at one of their informal steak fries in their apartment on October 27.

The evening started with learning the proper forms of introduction. Then the cadets enjoyed a delicious steak dinner and a session of games until study hall started.

Those attending were Teel, Long, Bailie, Magnabosco, Glendening, S., Robertson, Weber, W., Winick, and Miller, W. Glendening and Bailie were

MEXICAN DINNER SERVED TO CADETS

By Hutter, L.

Last Thursday night Mrs. Green served a Mexican dinner that was hot and delicious to all cadets. It consisted of hot tamales, tortillas, corn chips, beans, bread and butter, and twinkies for dessert. The food was very tasty and many Latin American cadets especially enjoyed it.

Also the dining room was colorfully decorated. In the center was a large bull made of paper and ribbons of different hues. Figures representing Aztec gods were along the walls, and red and green streamers and beautiful pictures of Mexico added to the decorations.

Col. R. B. Jackson got a hand when he arrived wearing a serape, and head waiter, John Doyle, also wore a serape and a sombrero.

Recently Mrs. Green served a Chinese dinner with chop sticks. These special dinners are really fun.

CADETS EAT FOOD WITH CHOP STICKS

By Johnson, G.

Last Thursday evening Mrs. Green, dietitian, had a different meal in the mess hall. The cadets had a chop suey contest. They had a strange eating utensil, chop sticks. The meal consisted of chop suey, rice, hard rolls, apple pie, and fortune cookies. The food had to be eaten with chop sticks. The tables which performed best were tables Nos. 1 and 2. The judges were Col. Jackson, Capt. Webber, and Capt. Robbins.

The boys enjoyed the food, and the chop stick contest was fun.

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Contraband should be called to the attention of the parents as well as the cadets. Only candy and fruits are allowed, and nothing else. Nothing is to be carried out of the mess hall, and only the items mentioned before may be taken from the canteen.

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"A" Barracks has been the scene of many strange doings, but none could compare to the room that had $20 worth of pizza stacked on one desk and chicken on the other.

BILLY THE BOA DIED FROM OVER EXPOSURE ON HIS NIGHT OUT

The boa constrictor snake, 6½ feet long, could not stand the rigors of this climate. He escaped from his cage in the biology lab and was found chilled to death, under a pile of leaves. He had gotten out of his cage once before but was found coiled around a hot water pipe.

The Upper Alton reporter of the Alton Evening Telegraph had this story on Billy's death:

Billy the Boa had his night out.

Or, for that matter, several nights.

Just when he succumbed to the current siege of chilly nights may never be known.

He was found under a pile of leaves — all six feet of him — frozen stiff and stark, Saturday by maintenance employee John Shaw.

Billy was a large boa constrictor brought to the Western Military Academy's campus for the benefit of biology students.

The cadets had been known to take him from his cage in the laboratory located in Barracks D. Once they even sneaked him out of the lab.

But last week Billy apparently escaped "on his own."

His wanderings were greeted with silence. Academy authorities were afraid it would cause a general hysteria among campus visitors to realize a six-foot boa constrictor was loose on the campus.

So the secret was kept, though Academy authorities spent some anxious moments worrying lest the snake invade the horse barns and set the equines into tantrums.

The "lid" came off the information barrel, however, with Billy's discovery in the pile of leaves.

Now everyone can rest easy.

Cadets can even go to sleep in lecture hall, again.

WAR ON MICE

By Bauldry

There's been a war on mice in "D" Barracks, 3rd floor. It started when Walston leaped into bed and landed on a mouse. Stanelle stepped on one when walking down the hall after taps. Bauldry found a mouse in the pocket of his robe. The mystery is how they got there.

Anyhow, war was declared on mice, and Walston says he has caught five mice by using peanut butter in his traps. He is also likely to catch some hungry cadet.

TREE-CLIMBING "HOG" FRIGHTENS MRS. GREEN

During the vacation, Mrs. Green, dietitian and social director, was returning one night with Capt. Green to their apartment over the Canteen.

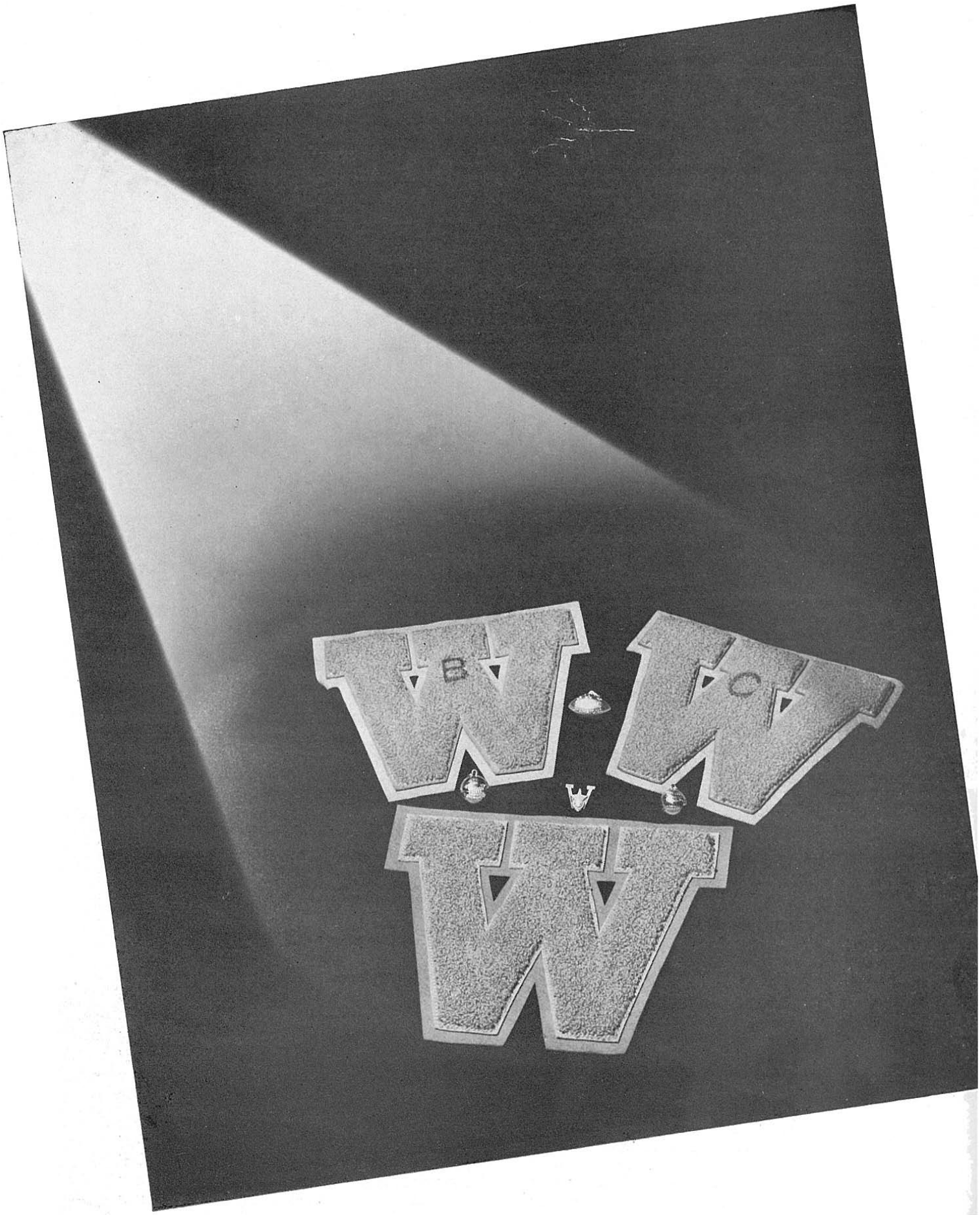
Capt. Green was putting the car away and Mrs. Green started up the steps, when she gave a loud scream.

Her husband came running and asked, "What's the matter?"

Mrs. Green replied breathlessly, "A hog ran across my feet and went up that tree. It was as big as a hog!"

Capt. Green flashed a light up into a tree which leaned over the steps, and sure enough he saw a good-sized animal with eyes gleaming. Upon closer examination, he saw a fat 'possum gazing calmly down. Mrs. Green was still trembling.

Capt. Green put some bread and other food on a pole and held it up to the 'possum. The animal proceeded to nibble at the food appreciatively. The Captain decided that he had found the varmint that recently raided a basket of apples on his porch. Mr. Possum evidently lives on the campus and has become rather tame, but Mrs. Green hopes that he keeps away from her. She gets jittery when a "hog" scurries by and climbs a tree.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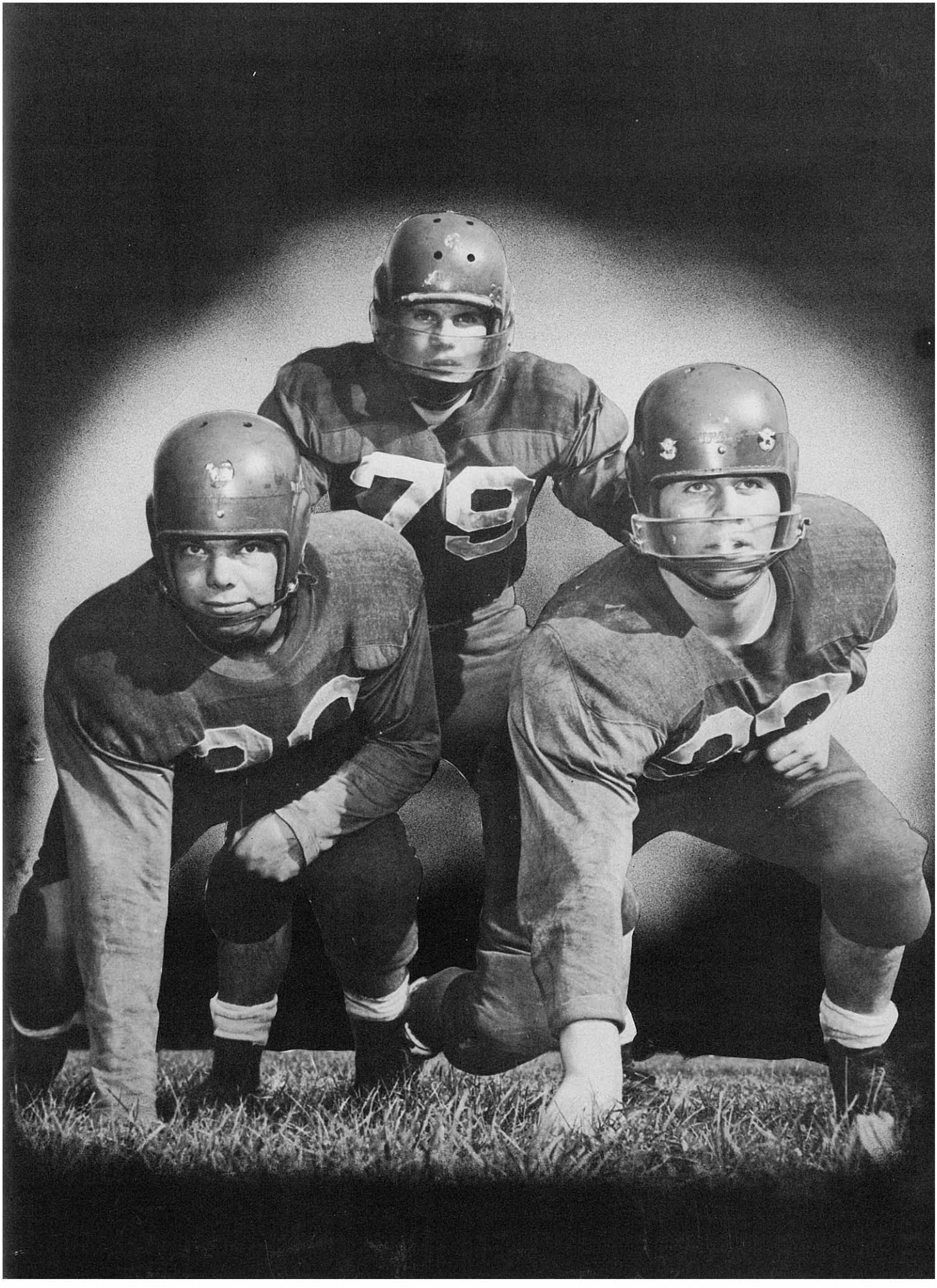
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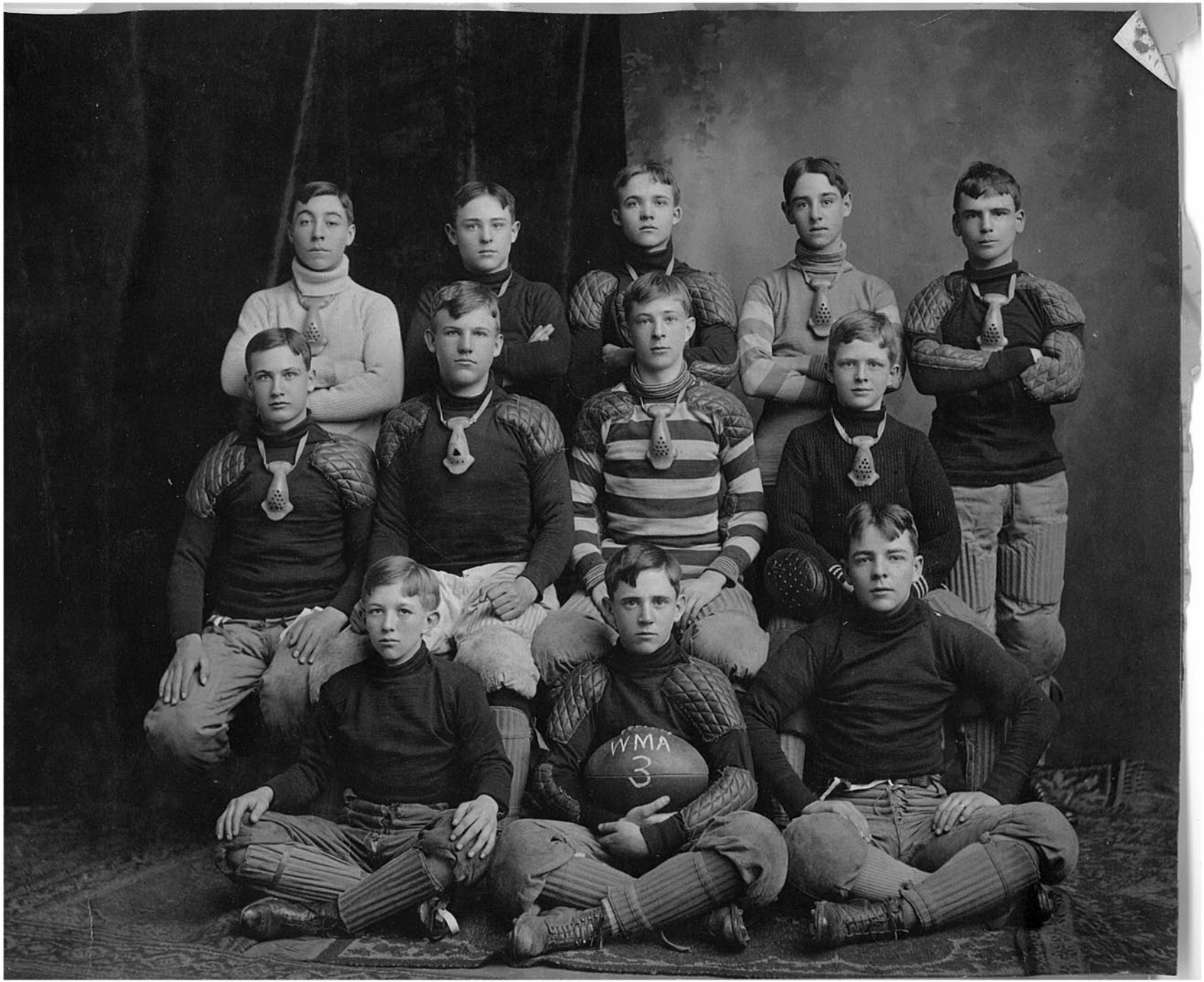
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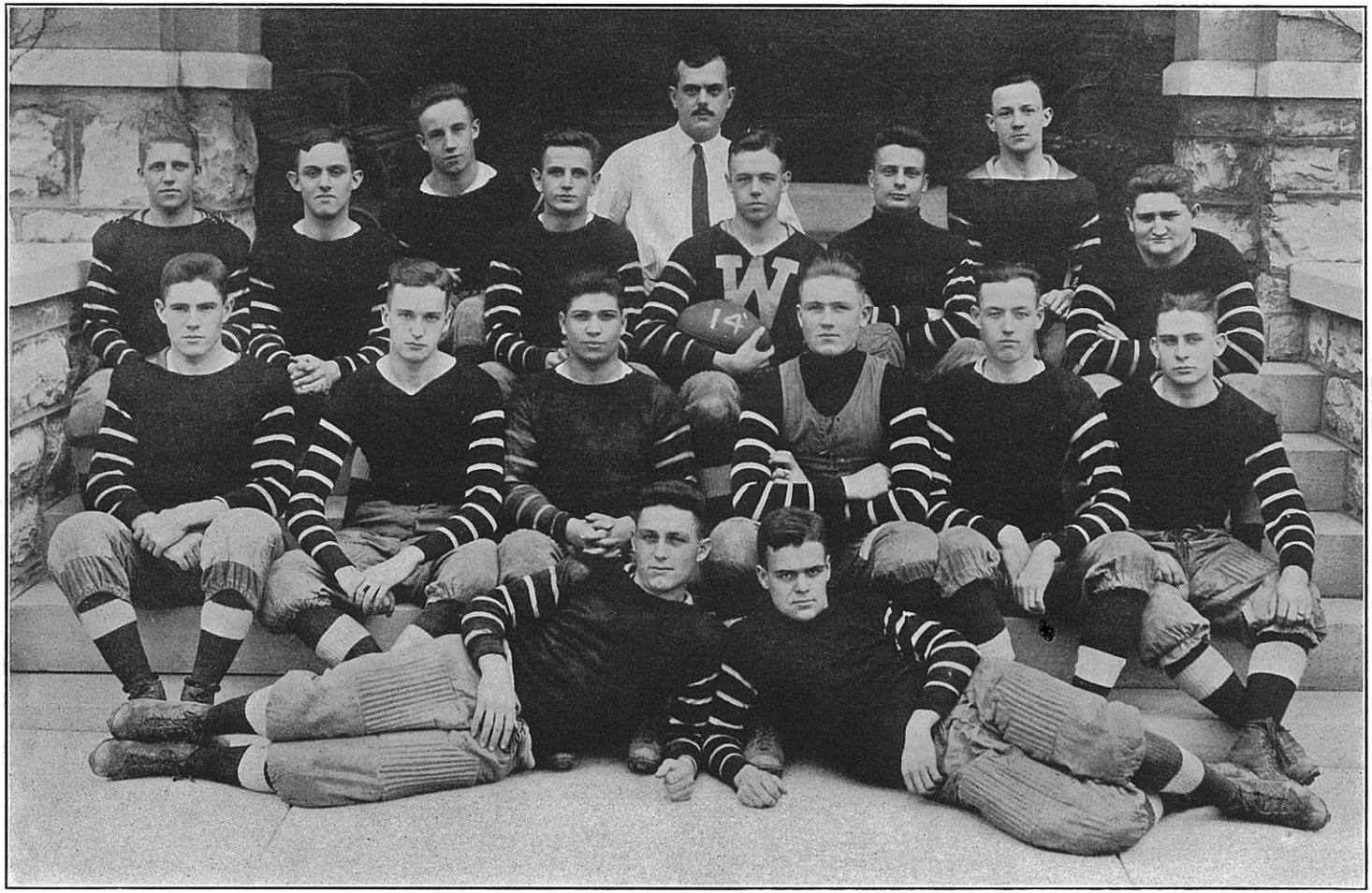
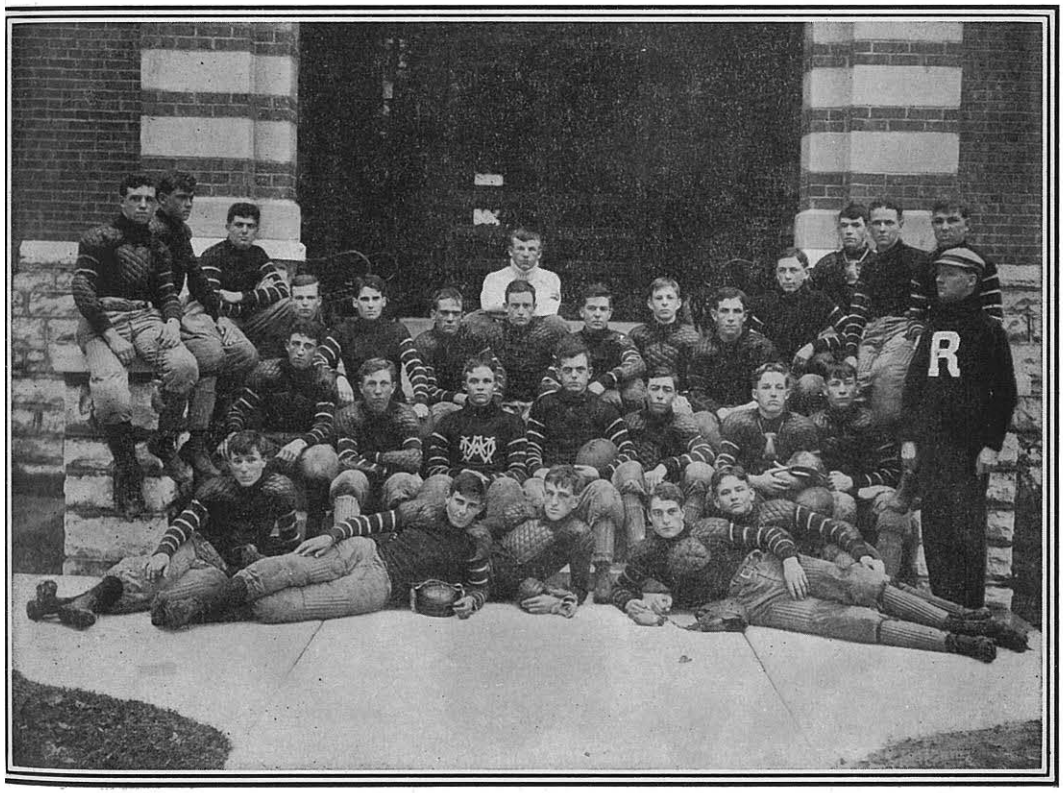


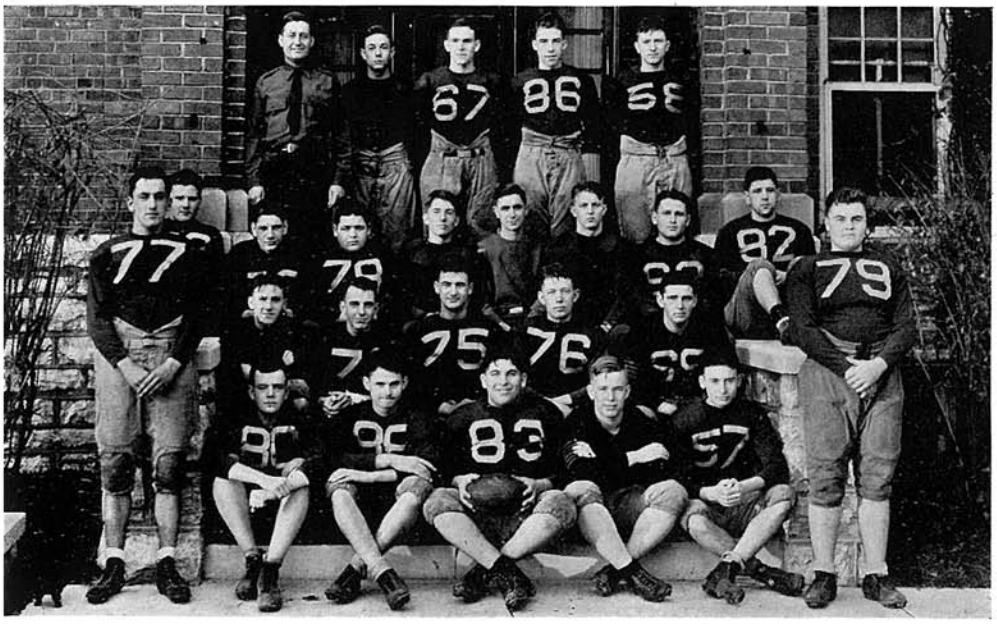
First Football Team.

THE CHARGING MACHINE.

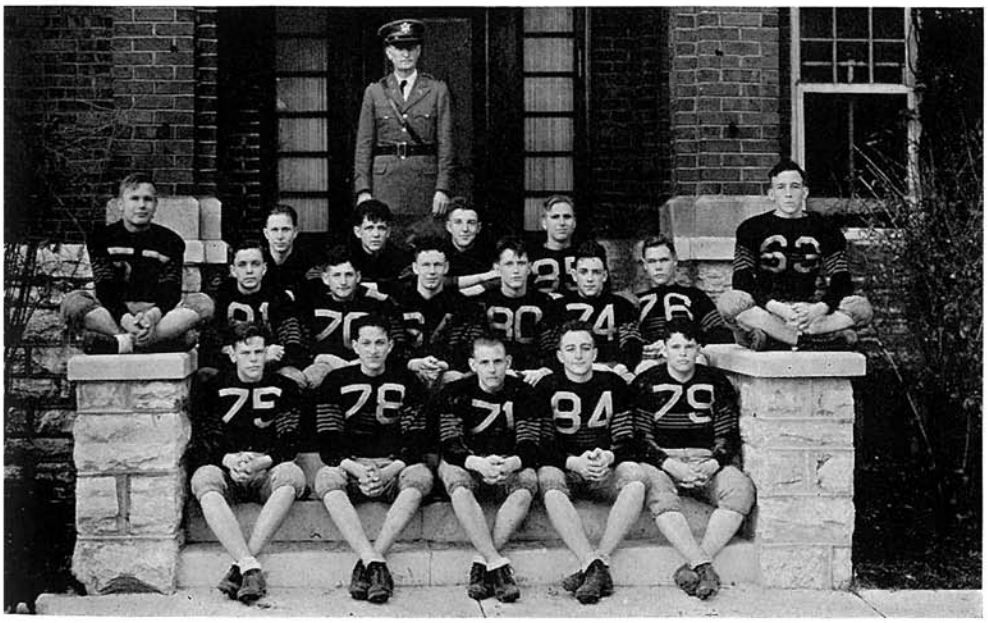


FIRST TEAM FOOT-BALL SQUAD.

A. B. C. League Football

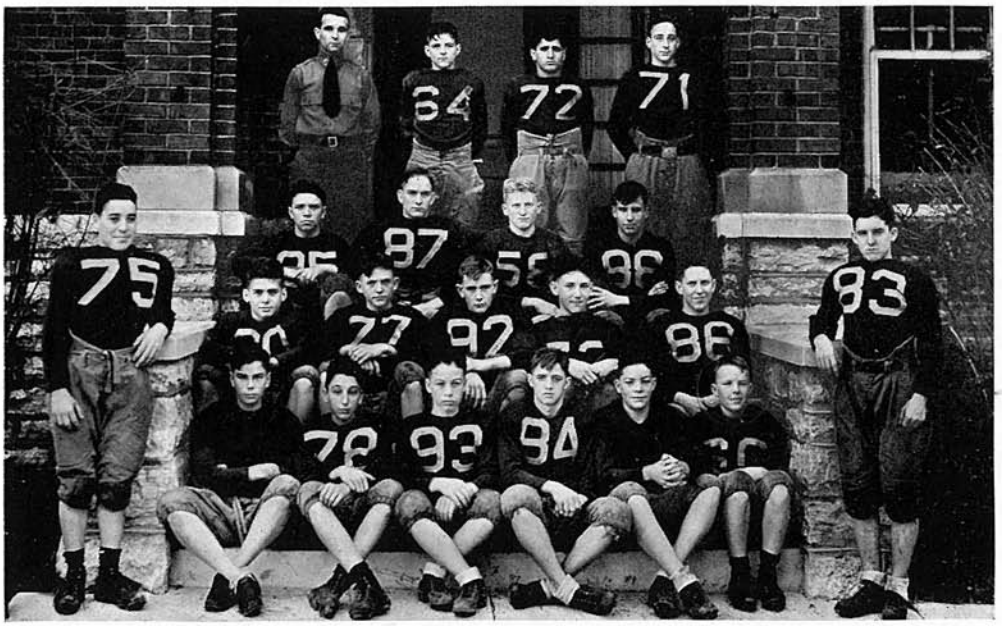


"A" Team



"B" Team

A. B. C. League Football



"C" Team

"A" Team Football
MAJOR GARETSON, Coach

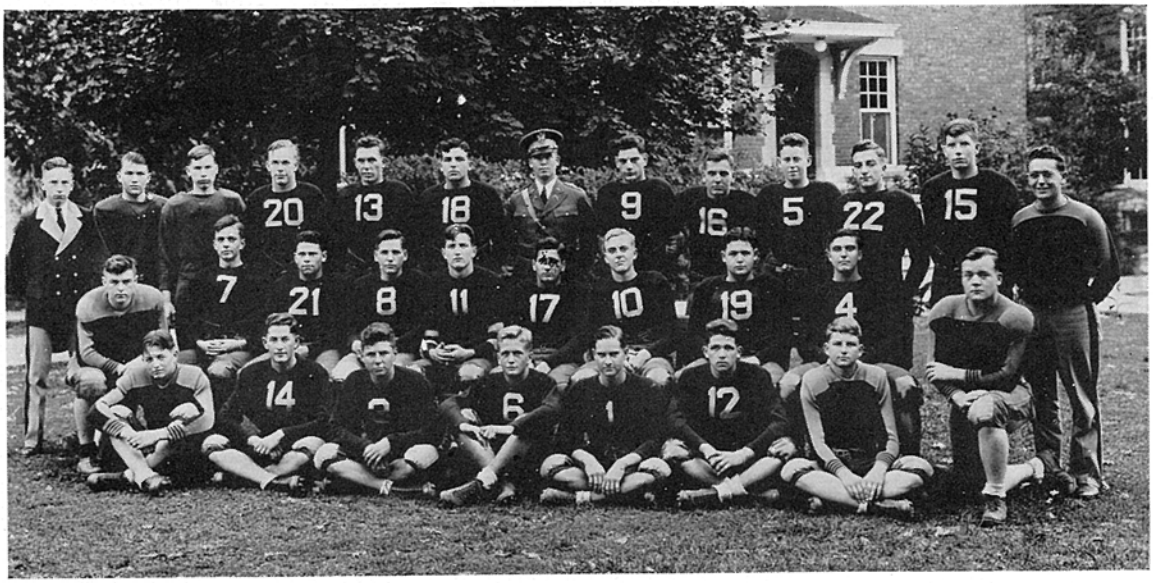
HEINLEIN	SCHENBERG	OPIZZI	TIBBETTS
FRASHER	BUNJI	DLUGAN	BILGERE
ROBERTSON	SCHNARR	HOGLE	COGHILL
PORT	PAULSON	SCHENBERG, S.	FREEDMAN
SECORD	SCHWARTZ	BEARE	SHIELDS
BLIVES	PARKER	O'HARE	COGHILL, B.

"B" Team Football
MAJOR LATHAM, Coach

SCHOENBERG	PAULLIN	LULY	MORGANSTERN
KIDDOO	GRAWOIG	ASHE	LOESCHE
SNYDER	TOMLINSON	STEINMETZ	ABRAMS
SINGER	HENDERSON	HAMILTON	MILLER, J.
SCHOENBERG, O.			

"C" Team Football
CAPT. TEAL, Coach

THOGERSON	BARRETT	GANO	LEVIN
ARMATA	KUNDTZ	ARONSON	CUTLER
REST	ANXITER	KNAPP	MORRIS
MILLER	ARVEY	ALLEN	LATHAM
BREWSTER	POPE	ROSENBLATT	CALLAHAN



The Championship Teams

FOOTBALL

A brief resumé of the season's games will best picture the play of the 1933 varsity football team. After three weeks of practice, Western met St. Louis U. High in the first game, outfought and outgamed them and yet lost by the margin of one point after a touchdown, 7-6. The game brought out the possibilities of the squad and showed a rugged aggressiveness that was characteristic of the season's play. The following week's game ended in a one-sided defeat at the hands of C. B. C. Western, a touchdown behind, rightly chose to try to score rather than a policy of protection against points, and in so doing made possible a 21-0 defeat. In the first ABC game, with John Burroughs, Western scored 28 points while holding Burroughs to 0 points and but few first downs. The game gave the entire squad a chance to play and produced several records for the books.

The next game with McBride, the Prep League champions, found Western at its peak. In the first half, Western scored twice, each time on an end run. An intercepted pass gave McBride its first touchdown. The second half found McBride dominating the play to the extent of another touchdown, the game ending in a 13-13 tie.

The E. St. Louis game the next week gave Western its second victory, 14-2. The next game assured Western the ABC League Championship. Country Day's previously undefeated team was turned back with a 14-0 score against them. Principia offered less opposition the following week. This game Western won 26-0. For the second consecutive year, Western's Varsity was undefeated in ABC League football.

The final game with Alton on Thanksgiving Day was marked by the clean, hard play of both teams. The game ended in victory for Alton, 7-0. Next year's team finds before it two challenges—to finish as high in the Prep League as it has in the ABC, and to bring back to Western's campus a Thanksgiving victory. A team of lettermen, reserves, and seasoned "B" players will be on hand to meet these challenges.

Academy grounds without permission, parents may feel sure that their sons are under watchful care and intelligent supervision during their hours of recreation as well as of study.

FOOTBALL

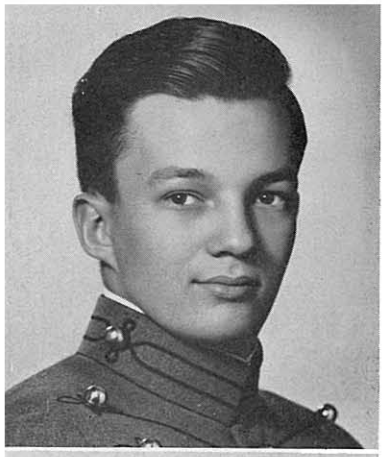
On the theory that the benefits of football outweigh its objectionable features, and that the latter may be minimized or wholly removed by proper supervision, the game is encouraged at the Academy. Excellent facilities for the sport are provided and a skillful and judicious coach is employed. Great care is exercised in the matter of arranging schedules of games, and cadets are not permitted to enter into contests out of their class. It is gratifying to be able to say that no serious accidents have ever resulted from participation in this game at the Academy, and it has been productive of a very large amount of physical benefit and wholesome sport.

The games during the season of 1914, with results, were as follows:

Western, 20; Troy High School, 6.
Western, 34; St. Charles Military College, 0.
Western, 86; National University, of St. Louis, 0.
Western, 14; St. Louis University Freshmen, 0.
Western, 63; East St. Louis High School, 12.
Western, 44; Edwardsville High School, 0.
Western, 7; St. Louis University Undergraduates, 0.
Western, 36; Principia School, of St. Louis, 0.
Total Points—Western, 304; Opponents, 18.

BASKETBALL

Two excellent regulation courts afford ample opportunity for the enjoyment of this popular sport. The courts are in use constantly during the recreation periods of the winter months. Inter-class and company contests are interesting and furnish good practice, as well as exercise. The numerous regular games are well attended by the loyal cadets and their enthusiastic young lady friends. An enviable record has been made in this branch of athletics by Western's teams since the introduction of the sport. The results of the principal games played last season are as follows:



Fairbury, Illinois

"Miff"
2 Years

Richard Mowry

Although quiet and reserved, Miff has always been ready to share in responsibilities as well as in fun. In his two years at Western he has shown a good spirit of cooperation.

Cadet Corp., Glee Club—2 yrs., Band—2 yrs.

616 S. Lumberland Avenue
Park Ridge, Illinois

"Knobby"
1½ Years

K. R. Knoblock

Knoblock is a fine example of what a fellow can do if he puts his mind to it. Through his hard work, Knobby has put himself in the top scholastic group. Although Knobby is quiet, he asserts himself when necessary. His unusual personality has won him the friendship of the corps.

Cadet Pvt., Glee Club—1 yr., Band—1½ yrs., Riding Club—1 yr., 100 Mile Club.

1 Brighton Way
Clayton, Missouri

"Bob"
5½ Years

Robert J. Dohle

Bob Dohle is one of the most popular fellows on campus, and he will long be remembered. Not only can he hold his own in academics, athletics, and military, but he is also one of the social stalwarts. Bob, who is another old veteran, will be missed very much when he leaves.

Cadet Lt., Floor Chief 3rd of "B", "C" Football—2 yrs., "B" Football—1 yr., "A" Football—1 yr., "D" Basketball—1 yr., "C" Basketball—1 yr., "J. V." Basketball—2 yrs.

5821 Clemens Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

"Dixie"
4 Years

Joseph Walker Dugan

One of the most outstanding four-year men in his class, Joe Dugan attained the highly coveted position of battalion commander. His record speaks for itself; Joe is tops in each and every phase of cadet life. His achievements, loyalty, and cheerful friendliness have won this Southerner the respect of the entire cadet corps.

Cadet Major, Barrack Chief of "C", Class Pres. Soph., and Jr. yrs., 400 Club—3 yrs., "W" Club—3 yrs., Vice-President; National Honor Society, All A.B.C.—2 yrs., All-District—1 yr., 2nd String All-State—1 yr., Alton All-District—2 yrs., Quarterback Award, A.B.C., District Track Medals, Chicago Tribune Medal, "B" Football—1 yr., Varsity Football—3 yrs., Co-Capt., "J. V. Soccer—1 yr., "A" Soccer—3 yrs., "J. V." Track—1 yr., "A" Track—3 yrs., Co-Capt., Co-Chairman Senior Dance Committee, "Recall" Activities Co-Editor.

JOE DUGAN—'48
Co-captain of undefeated Football Team; outstanding backfield star of St. Louis area; Honor Student; member National Honor Society; Cadet Major; Commander of the Battalion.

FOOTBALL
KING OF SCHOOL SPORTS

WHAT CAN YOU ACHIEVE?
Fun of Competition—Thrill of Victory—Honor and Friendships—Recognition Far Beyond the Limits of the Campus

Take, for example, Joe Dugan, co-captain and halfback of an unbeaten Red Raider eleven. Starting his career on the younger cadet teams, in his senior year led a brilliant Western football team through an undefeated, untied season—the only all-victorious team in the St. Louis area. Here are some of his gridiron honors:

ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT—All-Metropolitan St. Louis Area First Team; All-Star ABC League First Team.

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH—All-Metropolitan St. Louis Area First Team; All-Star ABC League First Team.

ST. LOUIS STAR-TIMES—All-Metropolitan St. Louis Area First Team; All-Star ABC League First Team.

CHICAGO DAILY NEWS—All-State Squad.

CHAMPAIGN NEWS-GAZETTE—All-State Squad.

ALTON EVENING TELEGRAPH—All-District Team.

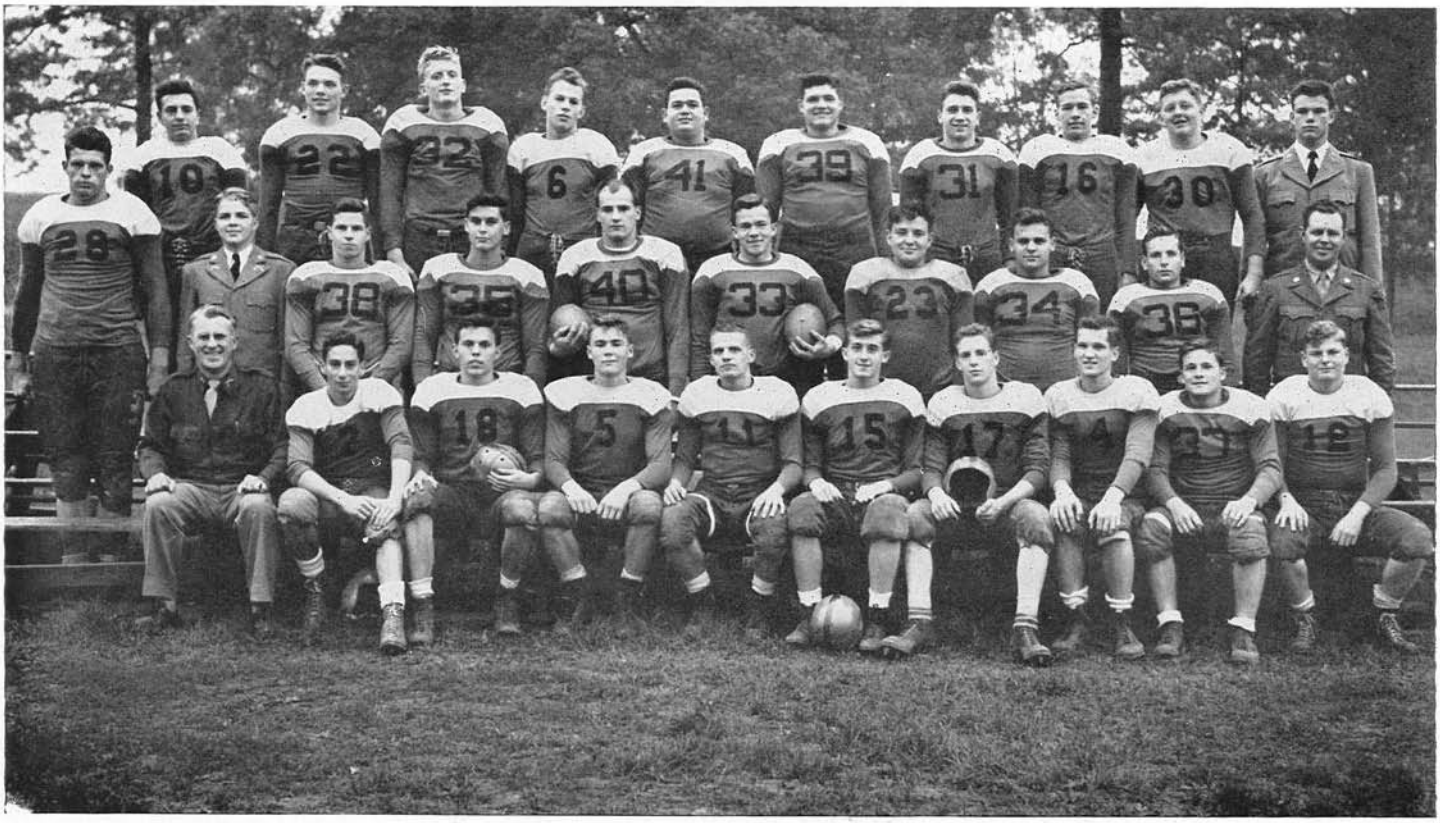
ST. LOUIS QUARTERBACK CLUB—All-Metropolitan St. Louis Area First Team; All-Star ABC League First Team; Trophy as outstanding prep back of entire St. Louis Area.

OWN TEAMMATES—Co-captain; most outstanding player on the team.

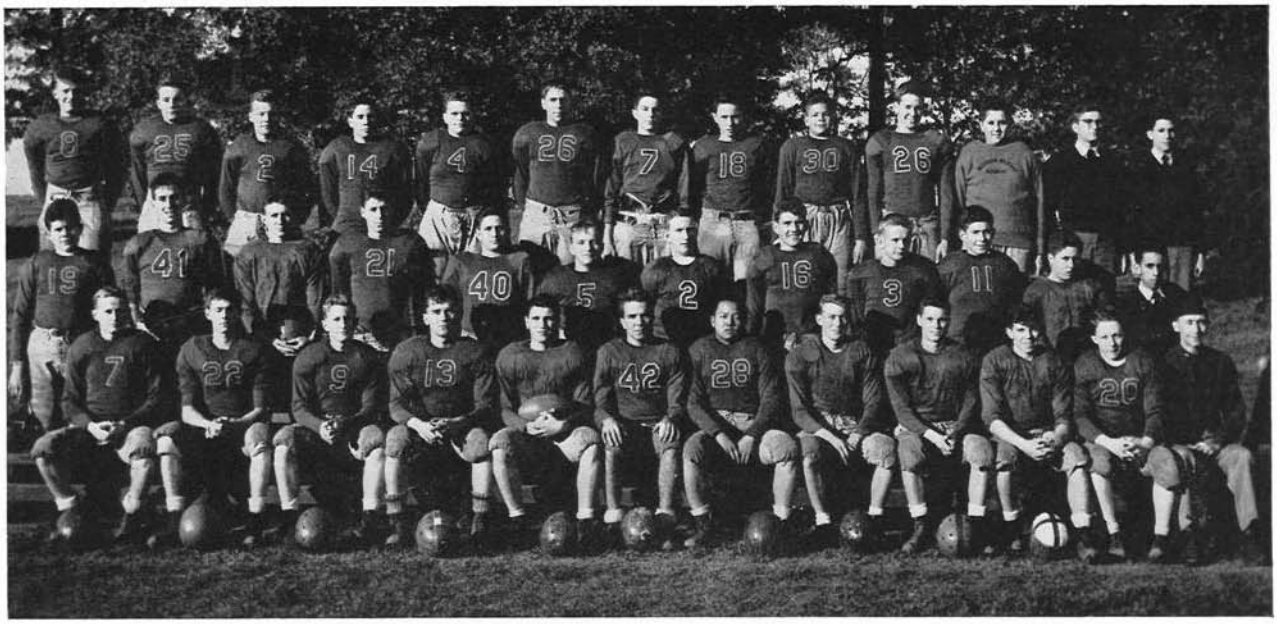
Dugan was also a great soccer player and one of the speediest dash men in track in the State of Illinois.

In addition, he won distinction in other activities at Western. He was an Honor Student, Member of the National Honor Society, and Cadet Major, Commander of the Battalion.

UNDEFEATED, UNTIED IN NINE GAMES!



Champions on the gridiron! Champions in the classroom! Half of this squad was on the Academic Honor Roll.



The "B" Team.

WHAT is your classification? Find yours from the table below. Each boy has four exponents. First, locate your exact weight in the first column, then look directly across and make a circle around the number on the same line and under that exponent column. Do the same thing for your age, height, and semester in high school, locating them exactly under their columns and circling the proper exponent. Now find the sum of your four-circled exponents. If it is below 50, you are a "D"; if it is 58 or below, you are a "C"; if it is 59 to 68, inclusive, you are a "B"; and if it is 69 or more, you are an "A" team competitor.

The "C" Team.

WESTERN'S "ABC" PLAN MEANS EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERY BOY IN EVERY SPORT

SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION

Exponent	Semester Enrolled	Age Yrs. —Mos.	Height Inches	Weight Pounds
8	.....	Below 13	Below 61	Below 91
9	.....	Below 13–6	Below 62	Below 94
10	.....	Below 14	Below 63	Below 97
11	.....	Below 14–6	Below 64	Below 100
12	1–2	Below 15	Below 65	Below 103
13	3–4	Below 15–6	Below 66	Below 106
14	5–6	Below 16	Below 67	Below 109
15	7–8	Below 16–6	Below 68	Below 112
16	.....	Below 17	Below 69	Below 115
17	.....	Below 17–6	Below 70	Below 120
18	.....	Below 17–9	70 plus	Below 125
19	.....	Below 18	.....	Below 130
20	.....	Below 18–3	.....	Below 135
21	.....	Below 18–6	.....	Below 140
22	.....	Below 18–9	.....	Below 143
23	.....	Below 19	.....	Below 146
24	.....	19 plus	.....	Below 149
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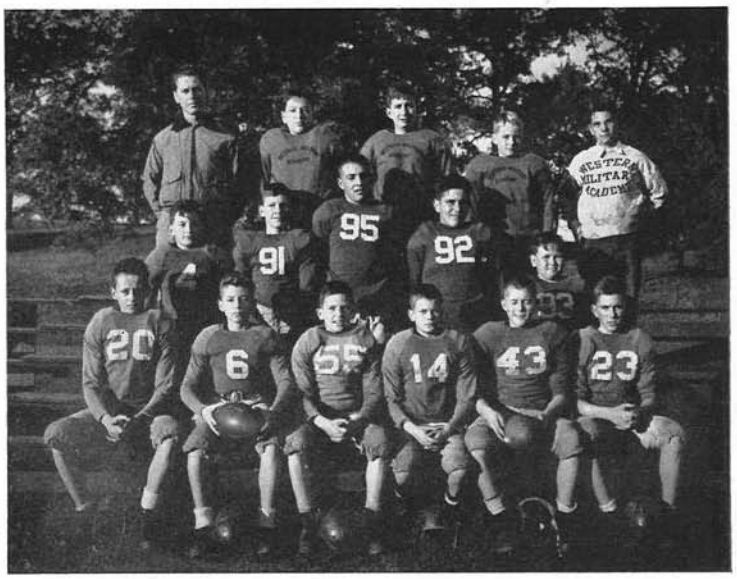


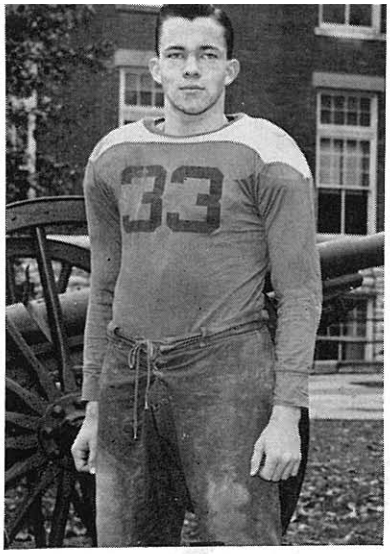
The "D" Team.

1947 Red Raiders

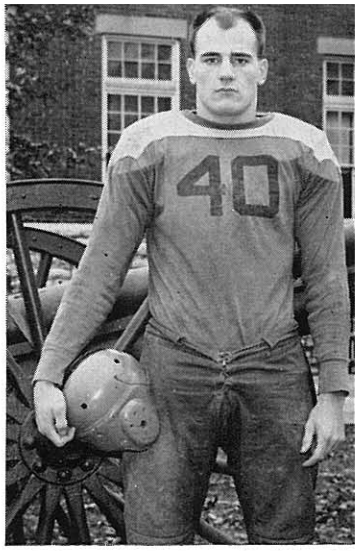
Undefeated Champions

Only Unbeaten, Untied Team in St. Louis District

The 1947 Red Raiders may well be called the greatest Western football team in 25 years, or even in the school's history. Coach "Pappy" Gould's boys won honors that would fill a whole page. They went through a season of nine games, untied and undefeated, won the A.B.C. League Championship, and captured the mythical championship of the St. Louis area. Western players won places on every all-star team of the conference and the district, and some were named on all-state squads.



DUGAN • GOODWIN



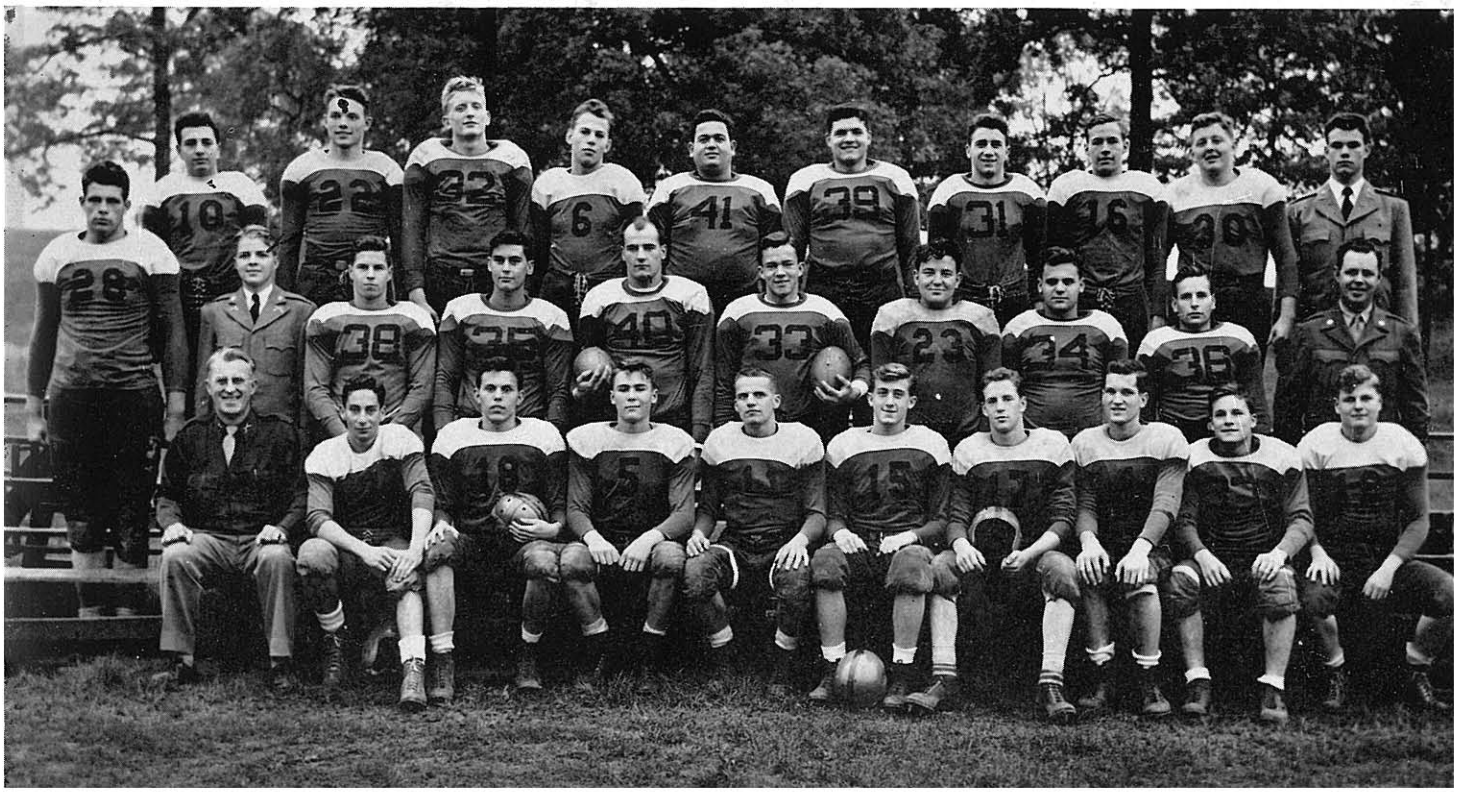
CO-CAPTAINS OF THE '47 RED RAIDERS

The Raiders achieved this record by bowling over some of the greatest high school elevens in the Midwest. They rolled up 214 points to their opponents' 35. They won top scoring honors of the district, averaging 22.7 points per game, and on defense rated in third place, allowing their opponents only 3.7 points per game. Along with it, they gained a splendid reputation for clean play and sportsmanship.

The Raiders proved to be great from the outset of the season. Lane Goodwin, Joe Dugan, Dutch Franks, Bill Fuchs, and Dugie Emswiler were the only letter men available on September 9. Soon it became evident that "B" players and reserves, such as Ollie Beadle, Berry Conner, Jack Stiebel, Jim Walker, Chuck Walker, Carl Paddor, Babe Bromley, Buzz Taylor, Elliott Schenberg, Joe Champ, and others, would fill the gaps and develop into an outstanding squad.

Hats off to the 1947 Red Raiders! You may see some of them on future All-American teams!

1st Row (seated)—Capt. Gould (Coach), Paddor, Black, T., Taylor, M., Champ, Dohle, Mooney, Emswiler, T., Jones, J., Hazel.
2nd Row—Corbett, Weber (Mgr.), Emswiler, H., Fuchs, Goodwin, Dugan, Bromley, R., Franks, Beadle, Sgt. Gorden (Asst. Coach).
3rd Row—Deutsch, Walker, C., Mallen, Schenberg, Walker, J., Conner, Chalfant, Foerster, Baker, W. (Mgr.).



ABC LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

VICTORY! This word was on the lips of every cadet during the 1946 football season. For this year Coaches Pitt and Aller produced the most outstanding team of the past decade.

In the opening game of the season, Western was trailing Jerseyville 6-0 at the end of the half. However, in the second half the Red Raiders offense spearheaded by Jack Prior smashed over the goal line for two touchdowns to win the game, 12-6. Gathering momentum the following week, the varsity eleven swamped North Side Catholic, 26-0. Prior and Newman each accounted for two touchdowns. Every season has its heartbreaking game and Western's came with Staunton on Eaton Field. After trailing 20-7 at the half, the cadets rallied in the third quarter, scoring 14 points to lead 21-20. With minutes left to play, Staunton completed a remarkable long pass good for a touchdown and the game.

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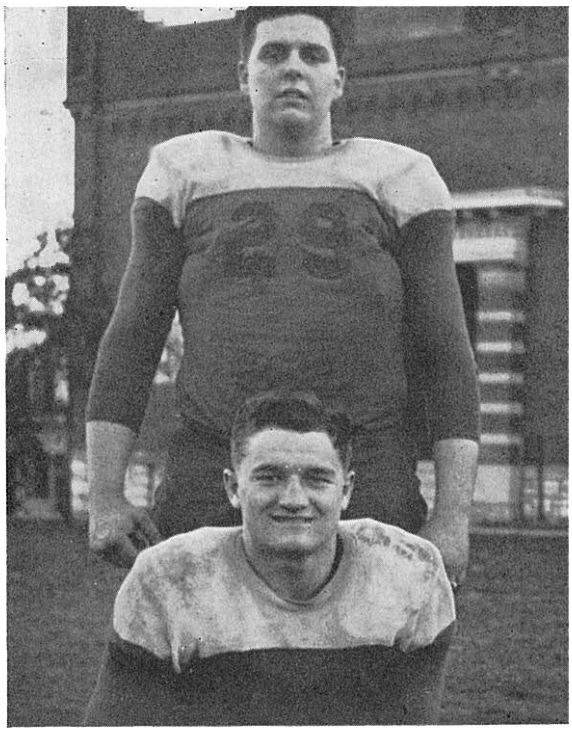
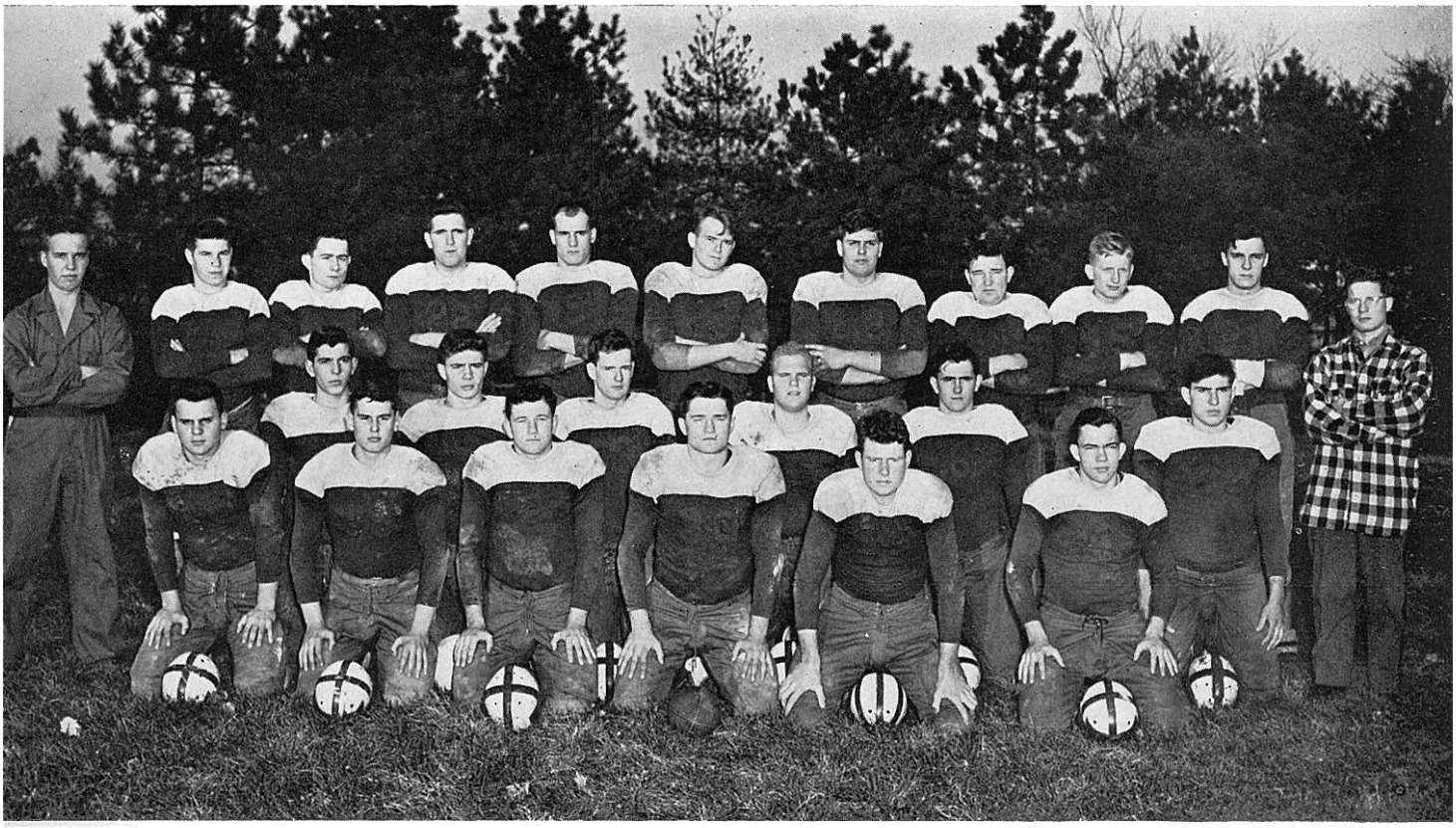


Team Co-Captains
Adkins and Eyermann

1946 RED RAIDERS



Front row (left to right)—Franks, Fuchs, Baker, J., Adkins, O., Newman, Dugan, (Clarke absent).
Second row—Webster, Jensen, Yelton, Epsteen, Blosser, Maggos.
Back row—Barham, (Mgr.), Emswiler, H., Prior, Harter, Goodwin, Lewis, D., Eyermann, Bromley, Stiebel, Walling, R., Macaulay.

VARSITY BASKETBALL – 1958-59

A - B - C Co-Champions

Back Row: Kammerman, Manager, Pratt, Grant, Doucleff, Strange, Disbro, Martin, D., Sullivan, Stevens, Manager. **Front Row:** Dickson, Lockitski, McGrady, Captain, Coach Crumpacker, Harper, Kennard, Brown, C., Hougland.

THE 1959 VARSITY BASKETBALL RECORD

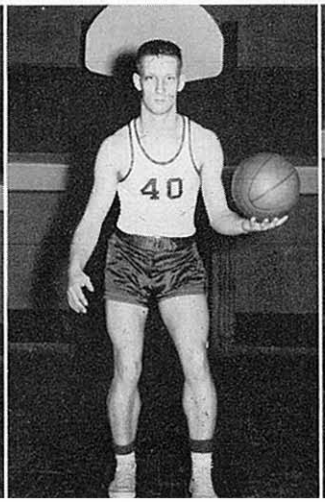
Western	62	73	Marquette
Western	75*	45	Brussels
Western	32	39	University City
Western	45	70	Jennings
Western	70*	46	Principia
Western	60*	59	Worden
Western	49*	33	John Burroughs
Western	61*	52	Country Day
Western	46	47	Principia
Western	53*	45	Lutheran
Western	59	65	Lutheran
Western	67*	66	Mascoutah
Western	61*	51	John Burroughs
Western	91*	59	Brussels
Western	46*	39	Country Day
Western	60	63	Marquette

Martin, A.

Dickson

All A-B-C
All District
McGrady

All A-B-C
Harper



Grant

THE 1959 VARSITY BASKETBALL RECORD

It is quite an achievement to come from last place to first place in one short year, but Western's varsity basketball team did just that under the guidance of their new coach, Captain Frank Crumpacker.

The A-B-C League campaign was opened with a one-sided, 70-46 victory over Principia. McGrady and Doucleff both scored over twenty points. The second win was not quite as easy as Western Military Academy overcame a Burroughs early lead to win, 49-33. Doucleff was the star this time as McGrady could score only seven points.

A 61-52 win over Country Day, paced once again by McGrady, preceded a startling 47-46 defeat at the hands of Principia.

The Raiders, however, retaliated with the finest effort of the year in downing Lutheran, 56-48. Lutheran quickly came back to down Western Military Academy a week later, 65-59, to throw the league's title race into a wild scramble.

Burroughs fell once more, 61-51, as Doucleff hit his high mark of 25. Then the Western boys came back from a 12-point deficit to hammer Country Day, 46-39. That win clinched a tie for the championship. The Raiders wound up as co-champions with Lutheran beating Country Day also.

The league scoring crown was also captured for the second straight year by Larry McGrady, while Karl Doucleff copped fourth place.

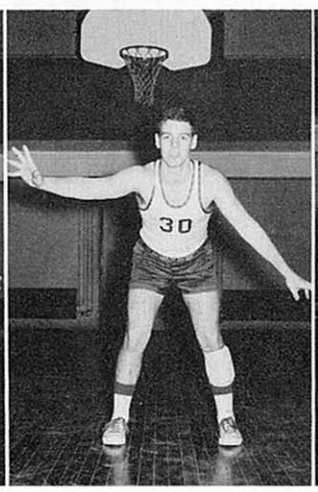
Marquette eliminated the Raiders from the district tourney with a 63-60 win in the opening round. All told, Western turned in one of the best records in years as Coach Crumpacker made quite a success in his first year.

Sparking the Western attack for the second straight year was high-scoring Larry McGrady, who set a new school record of forty-seven points in the second game with Brussels. Larry's 25.3 average for sixteen games was also the highest ever turned in by a Western player.

Mueller, '60

Kennard

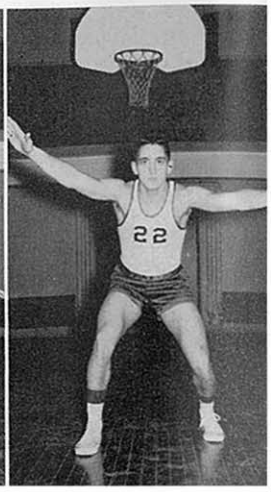
Hougland



Doucleff

Lockitski

Brown, T.



VARSITY BASKETBALL — 1960

First Row: Kennard, Thomas, P., Dickson, Studebaker. **Second Row:** Manager Eder, Martin, Miller, L., Doucleff, Grant, Coach Crumpacker. **Third Row:** Lockitski, Mueller, G., Sullivan, P., Manager LaMirande.

☆ CHAMPS ☆

MAJ. GOULD'S A.B.C. CHAMPIONS CELEBRATE VICTORY

Left to right—Moore, R., Mgr., Fields, Till, Magee, M., Bean, Trespalacios, Estes, Holsen, capt., Allen, Jansky, Dewein. *Kneeling*—Coach Gould.

★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★★

The varsity cagers had something to smile about. The Red Raiders became one of the best teams to represent Western in many a year, and they won the undisputed title of the A.B.C. League, losing only one game to John Burroughs. Their record of 5-1 in the league and 13-4 for the season was outstanding. Two of the losses came before Christmas when they had had little practice.

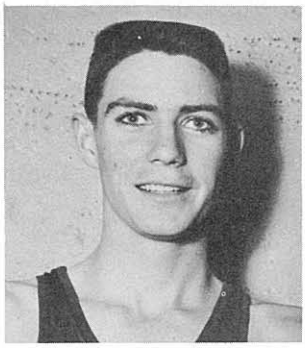
Coach Favre Gould came up with some great players. Otto Bean was one of the high scorers of the area, and he and Joe Holsen, captain, made the All-ABC and District teams. They were backed by the great play of Till, Jansky, Trespalacios, and other players. Many of the players will be around next year seeking another crown.

A great team! A great season!

"A" BASKETBALL RECORD

W.M.A. 53, Chaminade	51
W.M.A. 51, Bayless	56
W.M.A. 64, Mehlville	51
W.M.A. 58, Country Day	33
W.M.A. 44, University City	55
W.M.A. 54, Principia	40
W.M.A. 56, Country Day	35
W.M.A. 53, Medora	51
W.M.A. 44, Principia	38
W.M.A. 56, Country Day	32
W.M.A. 50, John Burroughs	75
W.M.A. 51, Jennings	39
W.M.A. 42, Riverview	32
W.M.A. 63, Bunker Hill	23
W.M.A. 42, John Burroughs	41
W.M.A. 60, Troy	48
W.M.A. 57, Venice	71

HEROES OF THE HARDWOODS
(A GREAT TEAM)



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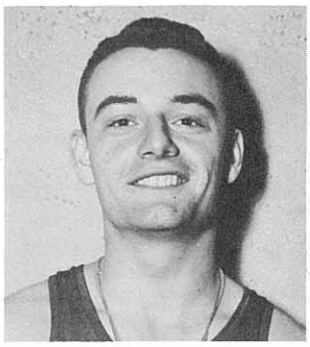

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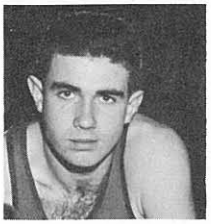

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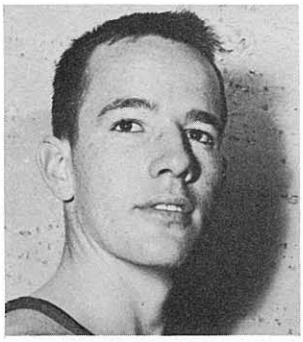

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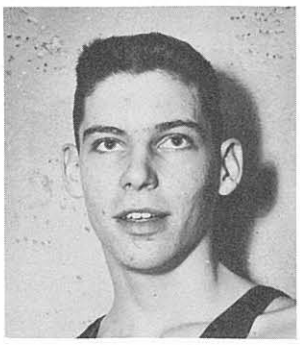

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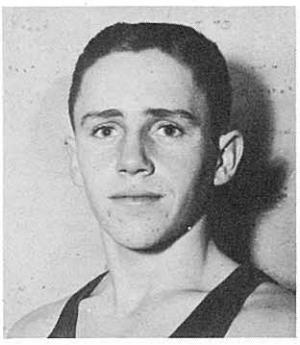
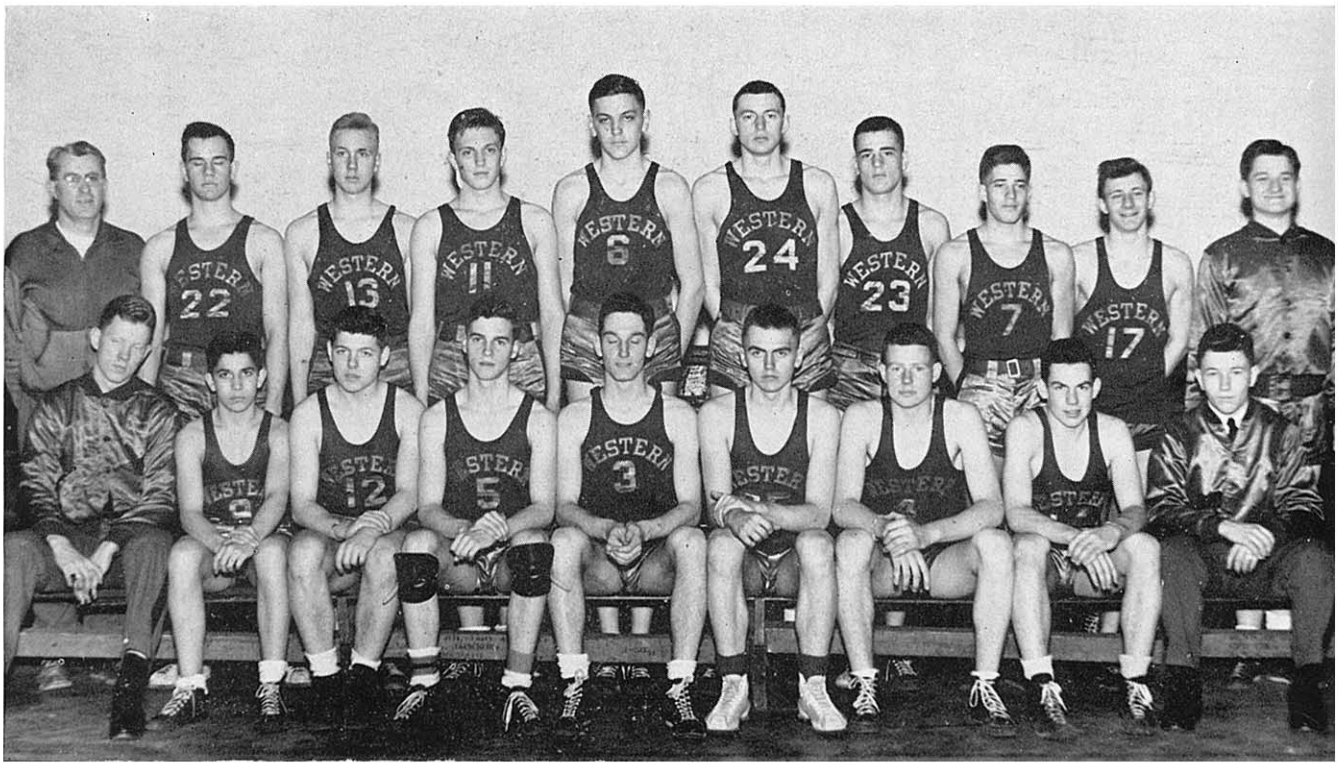


1956 STAR CAGERS

Western had a super varsity basketball team this year. The Raiders finished second in the ABC League, losing first place in a heartbreaker to Country Day in an overtime game, 71-69. They also went to the finals in the district and took second place. They defeated some of the best teams in the area. Otto Bean was one of the top scorers in this section, averaging 25 points per game and hitting a high of 45 points in one contest. Bean and Till were named on the All-ABC star team. However, they had plenty of help from Magee, Estes, Allen, Wilson, and Thornhill. The "A" cagers had a record of 13 victories out of 21 games, and they defeated some of the best quintets in the St. Louis section. A truly great outfit!

RECORDS

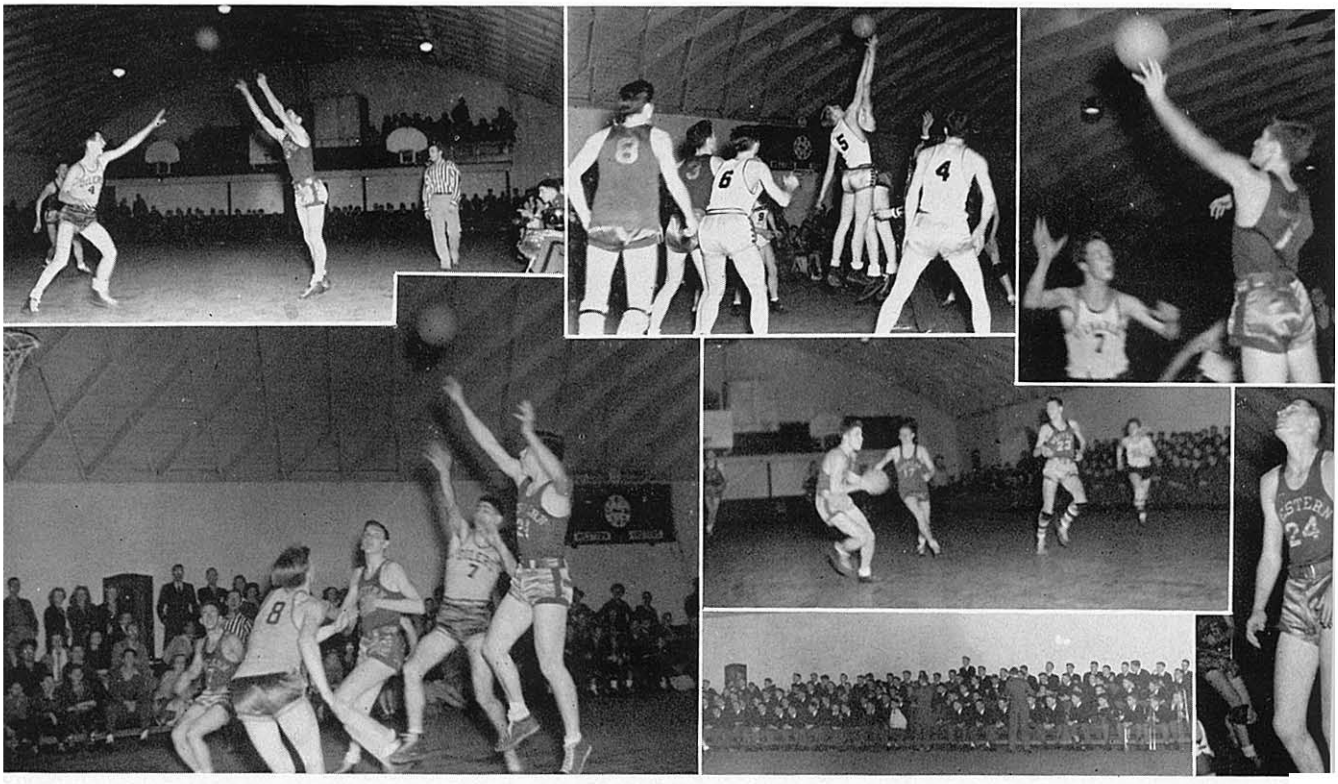
W.M.A.	51	Wood River	75
W.M.A.	62	Chaminade	59
W.M.A.	75	St. Peter's	49
W.M.A.	59	Lutheran	44
W.M.A.	59	University City	57
W.M.A.	47	Maplewood	61
W.M.A.	66	Jennings	47
W.M.A.	62	The Principia	34
W.M.A.	56	Country Day	60
W.M.A.	71	John Burroughs	55
W.M.A.	69	Country Day	71
W.M.A.	44	St. Peter's	58
W.M.A.	65	The Principia	53
W.M.A.	71	Riverview Gardens	90
W.M.A.	70	Brussels	37
W.M.A.	59	Bethalto	60
W.M.A.	59	John Burroughs	43
W.M.A.	54	Bunker Hill	48
W.M.A.	77	Venice	63
W.M.A.	63	Lovejoy	51
W.M.A.	62	Roxana	68



HEROES OF THE HARDWOODS

Front row—Renner, Maeys, Brant, Cross, Monnier, Moore, J., Newman, Sullivan, B., Baker, Mgr.
Back row—Coach Gould, Goodwin, J., Sundal, Dentler, Trainor, Braner, Goodwin, L., Yavitz, Gottfried, Adkins.

A.B.C. CONFERENCE CO-CHAMPIONS!



1. Final shot—and he made it.
2. Brant leads a charge.
3. Center jump, and the game is on!
4. Start of a fast break.
5. Corps furnishes pep.
6. Yavitz's famous shot.
7. Rebound king—Braner.

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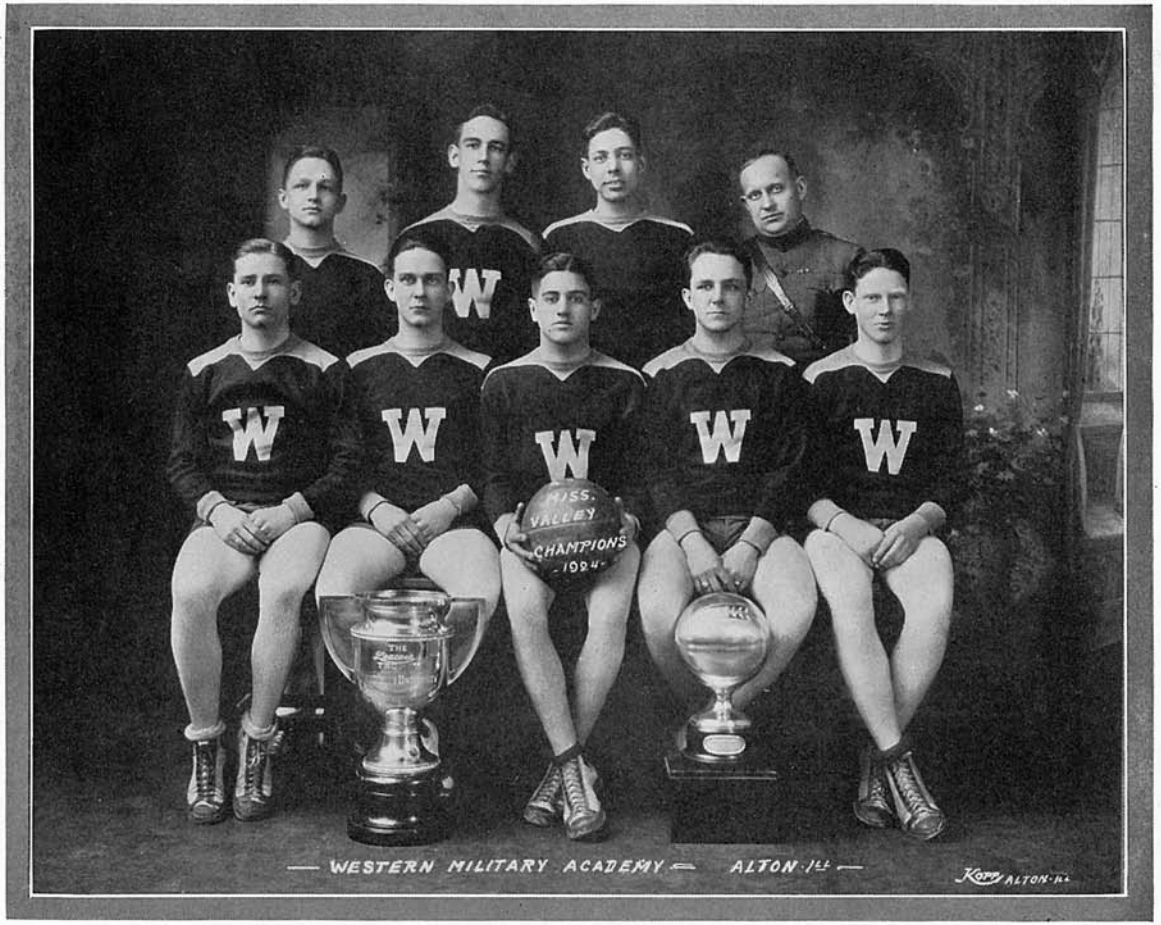

The First Basketball Team, 1924
"The Champions of the Mississippi Valley, 1924"

Top Row—Stevenson, A., Belding, Martinez, Coach Holmes.
Lower Row—McDaniels, Brooks, Cruz, R., Murphy, P., Maldaner.

HOME
GUEST
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CHAMPIONS OF A.B.C. LEAGUE

"A" SOCCER TEAM

Front row: Arguedas, Torres, G., Heinermann, Bennett, Gonzalez, R., Aldrich.
Middle row: Caraveo, Miller, R., Butto, Martinez (capt.), Trespalacios, Torres, R., Dyke.
Back row: Rudman, mgr., Gonzalez, W., McCloud, Van, Anderson, J., Haddad, V., Lozano, Cross, R., Michles, Capt. Bresson (coach).

Sportsmanship, hard play, and the desire to win were the characteristics of this year's varsity soccer team, undisputed champions of the A.B.C. League. Winning or sharing the title for the fourth straight year, Coach Bresson's kickers established themselves as one of the best teams in the St. Louis area.

Although eleven men returned from the 1952 team, the outlook was not too bright at the start of the season. However, hard work and excellent coaching soon produced a smooth-working squad which became famous for teamwork and defensive skill. The team included many Latin-American cadets who added color and fight to every game.

Team captain, Martinez, was backed with fine play by Gintz, Miller, R., Bennett, Butto, Trespalacios, Gonzalez, R., the Torres boys, Dyke, and many others. Good material came up from the 1952 "B" team, which always supports the fine soccer tradition at Western.

Tony Trespalacios was named on one of the All-District teams. Perhaps there were others who could qualify, but the success of the eleven was due to teamwork, and not to individual stars. Congratulations to this fine group, and here's hoping Capt. Bresson's kickers can win their fifth straight title in 1954.

SEASON'S RECORD

W.M.A.	2,	St. Louis U. High	6
W.M.A.	2,	McBride	1
W.M.A.	2,	John Burroughs	2
W.M.A.	2,	The Principia	1
W.M.A.	0,	McBride	0
W.M.A.	6,	The Principia	1
W.M.A.	4,	Country Day	1
W.M.A.	2,	John Burroughs	1
W.M.A.	1,	Country Day	1

CHAMPIONS, A.B.C. LEAGUE

May we present the "A" Soccer Team, Undefeated Champions of the League in 1951 and Champions for the Second Straight Year

Front row, left to right—Morrison, Mgr., Tolle, Boyle, Granai, Speck, Taylor, Ortiz, A., Garcia, Lozano, A., Miller, F., Capt. Bresson, Coach.
Back row—Raber, Ihms, Scanlon, Schlueter, Ureta, Haddad, M., Stamper, Muriel. Missing—Ortiz, M.

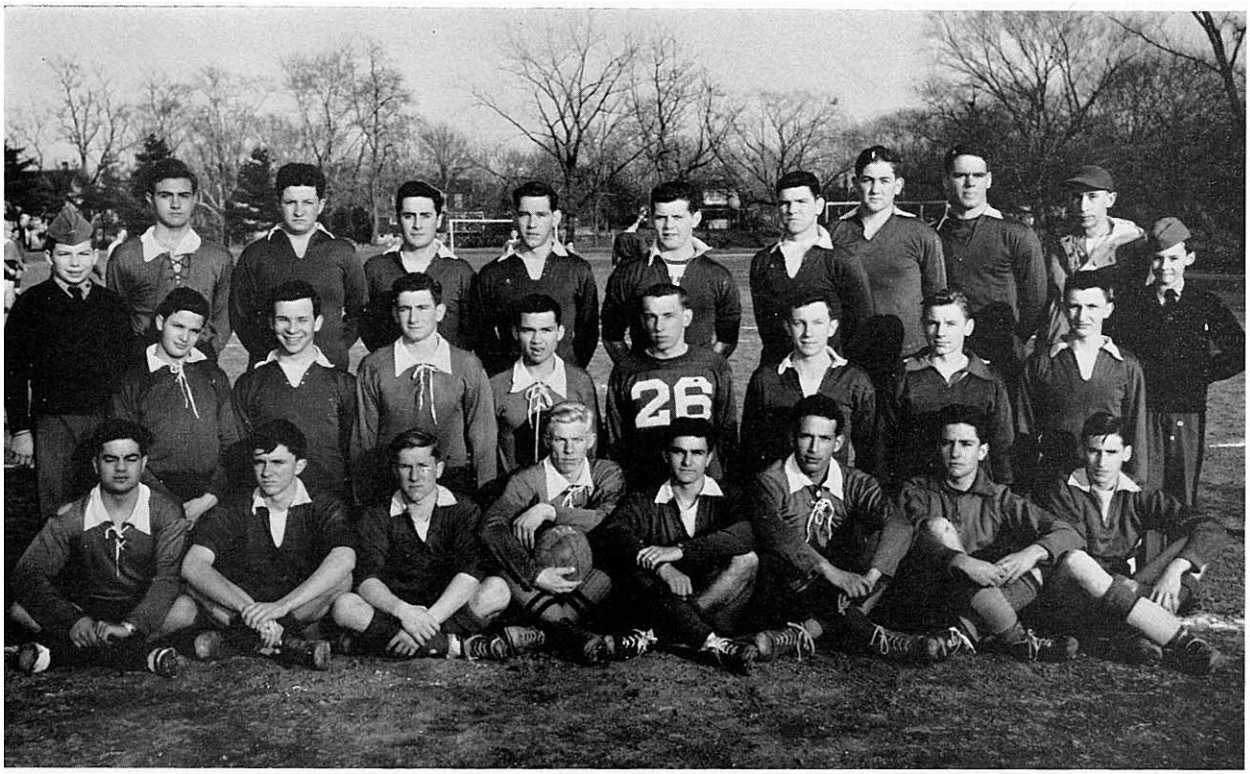
Hail to the champions of the A.B.C. League, the Varsity Soccer Team. Once again Capt. Bresson turned out a squad that won the title for the second straight year. The cadets were undefeated in league play. They lost only one game during the season, and that was when half the key players were absent. They finished with 8 victories, 2 ties, and one defeat.

The team was composed of Mexican boys and boys from the States, about half-and-half. Perhaps big Marcus Ortiz, captain of the team, was the outstanding player. He was a wonderful ballhandler and could kick with terrific accuracy. Ortiz and Higinio Ureta, goalie, were both named on the All-District Team of the St. Louis area. Jim Taylor became one of the stalwarts of the line. Angel Ortiz was one of the biggest threats that ever faced an opposing team. Harry Stamper, Mike Haddad, and Ureta were the toughest defensive combination in this section and were not scored upon in league play. Red Miller, Mike Scanlon, and Ed Tolle were three powerful-kicking fullbacks. Add to them such players as Boyle, Speck, Granai, Garcia, Lozano, A., Muriel, and others, and you can see why Coach Bresson's "international team" was feared by all foes.

THE RECORD

W.M.A.	5	Principia	0
W.M.A.	3	Chaminade	2
W.M.A.	5	Chaminade	1
W.M.A.	1	C.B.C.	3
W.M.A.	2	McBride	1
W.M.A.	2	DeAndreis	2
W.M.A.	0	J. Burroughs	0
W.M.A.	4	Country Day	0
W.M.A.	2	J. Burroughs	0
W.M.A.	4	Principia	0
W.M.A.	3	Country Day	0

CO-CHAMPIONS OF LEAGUE



VARSITY SOCCER TEAM

Front row: Torres, G., Benjamin, R., Miller, R., Dyke, capt., Torres, R., Trespalacios, Caraveo, Arguedas.
Middle row: Gonzalez, W., Silverman, Fuchs, Reyes, Bennett, B., Deem, Haase, Kiss.
Back row: Pazdera, mgr., Gonzalez, R., Vertiz, Torres, E., Estes, Gruwell, Myers, D., Haddad, G., Parsons, Capt. Bresson, coach, Lehoczky, mgr.

Under Capt. Bresson, coach, championships have become a habit with the "A" soccer team. His players have tied for or have won the A.B.C. title for seven straight years. This year's team, made up about equally of Mexican and U.S. students, won 9 games and lost 3, gaining a tie for the league crown. Jan Dyke, captain and high scorer, along with Doc Miller, placed on the second All-District Team of St. Louis. Players like Bennett, Trespalacios, Caraveo, Fuchs, Miller, Dyke, Reyes, and Kiss will always be remembered.

"A" SOCCER RECORD

W.M.A. 2, Chaminade 0
W.M.A. 5, McBride 2
W.M.A. 4, Principia 0
W.M.A. 4, Mercy 1
W.M.A. 4, Country Day 1
W.M.A. 1, John Burroughs 2
W.M.A. 1, Country Day 2
W.M.A. 2, McBride 1
W.M.A. 3, Principia 1
W.M.A. 3, Chaminade 1
W.M.A. 2, John Burroughs 0
W.M.A. 1, C.B. College 3

"B" SOCCER RECORD

W.M.A. 1, Mercy 1
W.M.A. 2, Principia 0
W.M.A. 1, Country Day 3
W.M.A. 2, John Burroughs 2
W.M.A. 1, Country Day 2
W.M.A. 4, Principia 2
W.M.A. 1, John Burroughs 1

CO-CHAMPIONS OF LEAGUE

"A" SOCCER TEAM

Top row, left to right—Miller, R., Neme, Heinermann, Capt. Bresson, coach, Schmidt, C., McCloud, Guzman, Anderson, J., Mgr.

Middle row—Klucina, Gonzalez, R., Martinez, Gintz, Raber, Caraveo, Barona.

Bottom row—Locke, Haddad, M., Miller, F., Ureta, Reed, Donley, D., Butto.

For the third straight year Coach Bresson's "A" soccer team finished at the top of the A.B.C. League, winning undisputed first honors or sharing the title. This year the cadets were co-champions with John Burroughs.

Varsity soccer at Western was made up of skilled players from Mexico as well as boys from the U. S. At the start of the season, the outlook was dark, for all but three of the great 1951 team had graduated. However, the players went to work and became a strong outfit.

Team captain Ureta usually led the following starters into the fray: Barona, Raber, Gintz, Miller, F., Donley, D., Caraveo, Martinez, Butto, Gonzalez, and Haddad, M.

The team wound up with 4 triumphs, 4 defeats, and one tie. They played in the St. Louis High School Soccer Tournament, and Ron Raber was named on the All-District team.

The Record

W.M.A.	0	J. Burroughs	2
W.M.A.	0	Country Day	1
W.M.A.	1	Principia	0
W.M.A.	1	J. Burroughs	0
W.M.A.	1	De Andreis	3
W.M.A.	0	De Andreis	0
W.M.A.	3	Principia	2
W.M.A.	1	Chaminade	2
W.M.A.	2	Country Day	1

International-Mexico 2, U.S.A. 1

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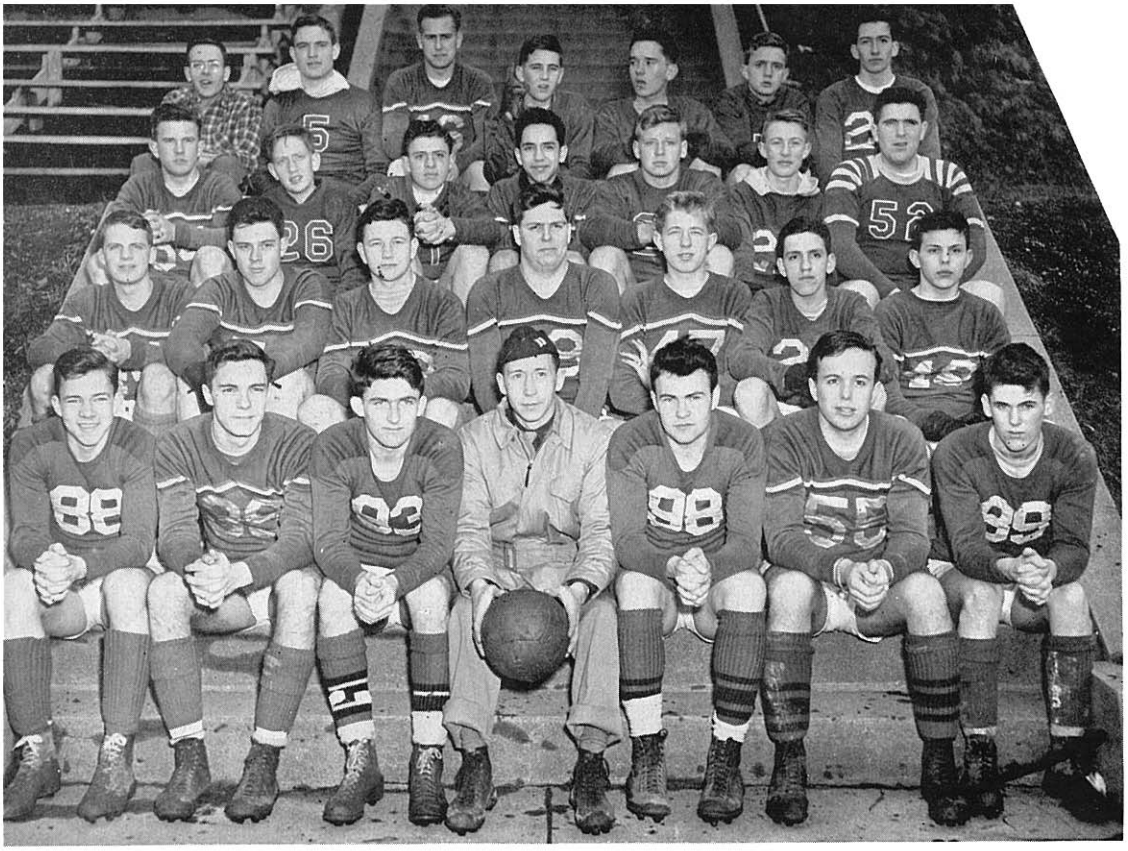
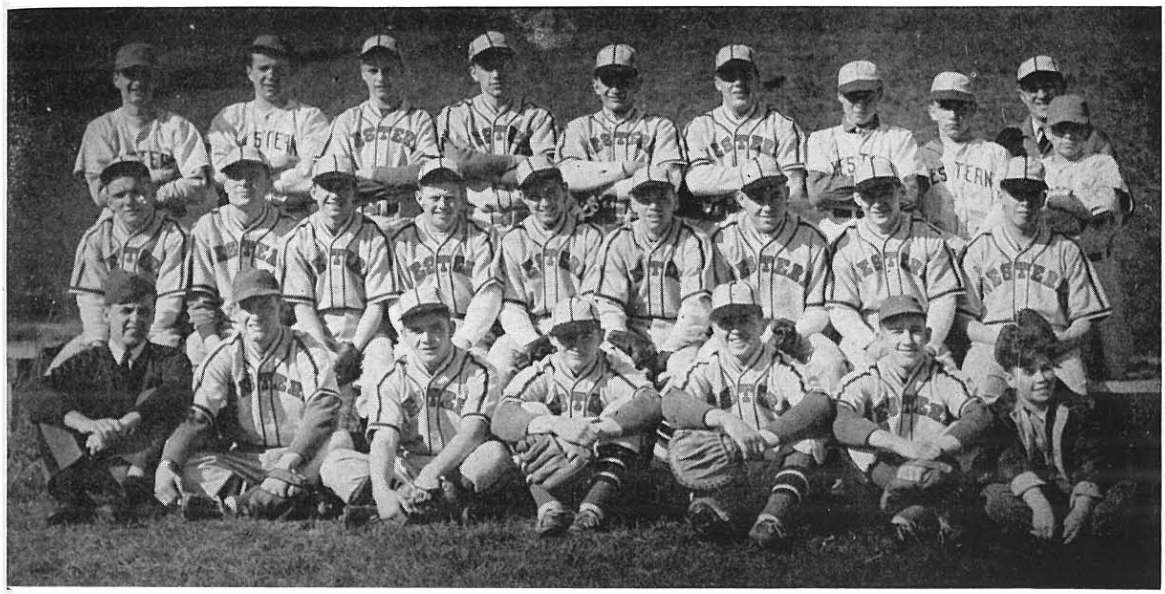


SOCCER TEAM — TITLE HOLDERS OF A.B.C. LEAGUE

1st row—Dugan, Walling, Oldfield, Coach Bresson, Vanocur, Biddle E., Oseland.
2nd row—Champ, Stahl, Baker, Eyermann, Jacobson, J., Alcocer, Black, T.
3rd row—McNabb, Whitsel, Modiano, Rivera, X., Newberry, Greene, E., Harter.
Back row—Gray (Mgr.), Wenz, Nazari, Dain, Wilson, Wells, Thornton.

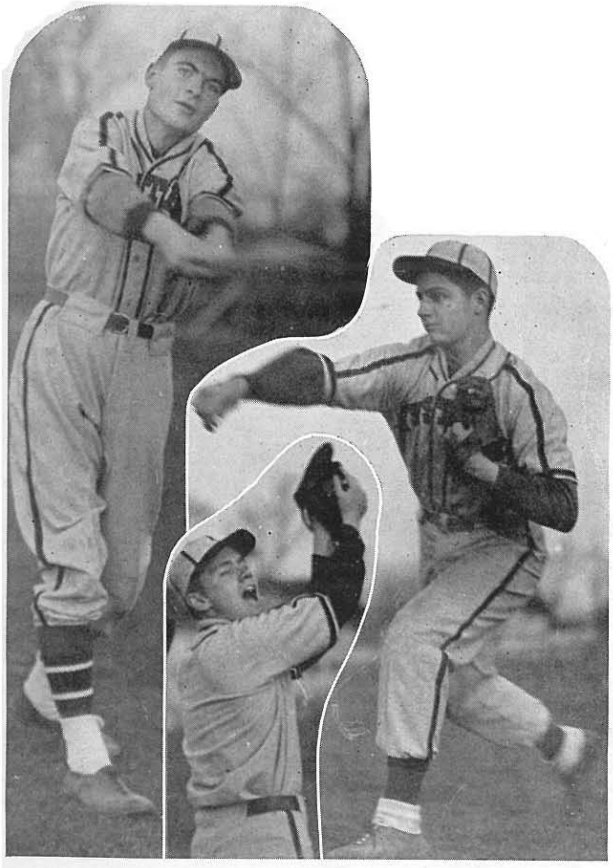
The celebration is about to start. Scene just after the Codasco game, and Western has just won the loop championship.

CO-CHAMPIONS—A. B. C. LEAGUE



TITLE WINNERS

First row—Gould (Mgr.), Peters, Wagner, G., Floyd, Pearcy, Frazer, E., Ratcliff.
Second row—Wagner, R., Harter, A., Krause, Porter, Eberle, Bohlmann, Fowler, Katz, Lawson.
Third row—Jones, H., Biddle, Cross, Thompson, J., Quinlan, Weeke, Hearst, Karr, Coach Gould, Maeys.



STARS

Harter	Katz	Eberle
First base	Outfield	Pitcher

The picture above was taken too early to show all the stars of Coach Gould's fine baseball team, co-champions of the A.B.C. League with John Burroughs. The only loop game lost was to Burroughs, which had been beaten earlier in the season. Eberle was the mainstay on the mound, and he mowed down the batters, though Fox came up from the J.V.'s to do a good job later in the spring. G. Wagner and Porter did the receiving. Bohlmann, Harter, Krause, and Wagner, R., made a flashy infield, while Quinlan, Katz, Maeys and others patrolled the outfield.

Western	6	Wood River	6
Western	3	Burroughs	2
Western	2	Kirkwood	0
Western	1	Burroughs	4
Western	8	Country Day	2
Western	11	Country Day	9
Western	6	Wood River	2
		(State District)	
Western	0	Staunton	15

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NATIONAL R.O.T.C.
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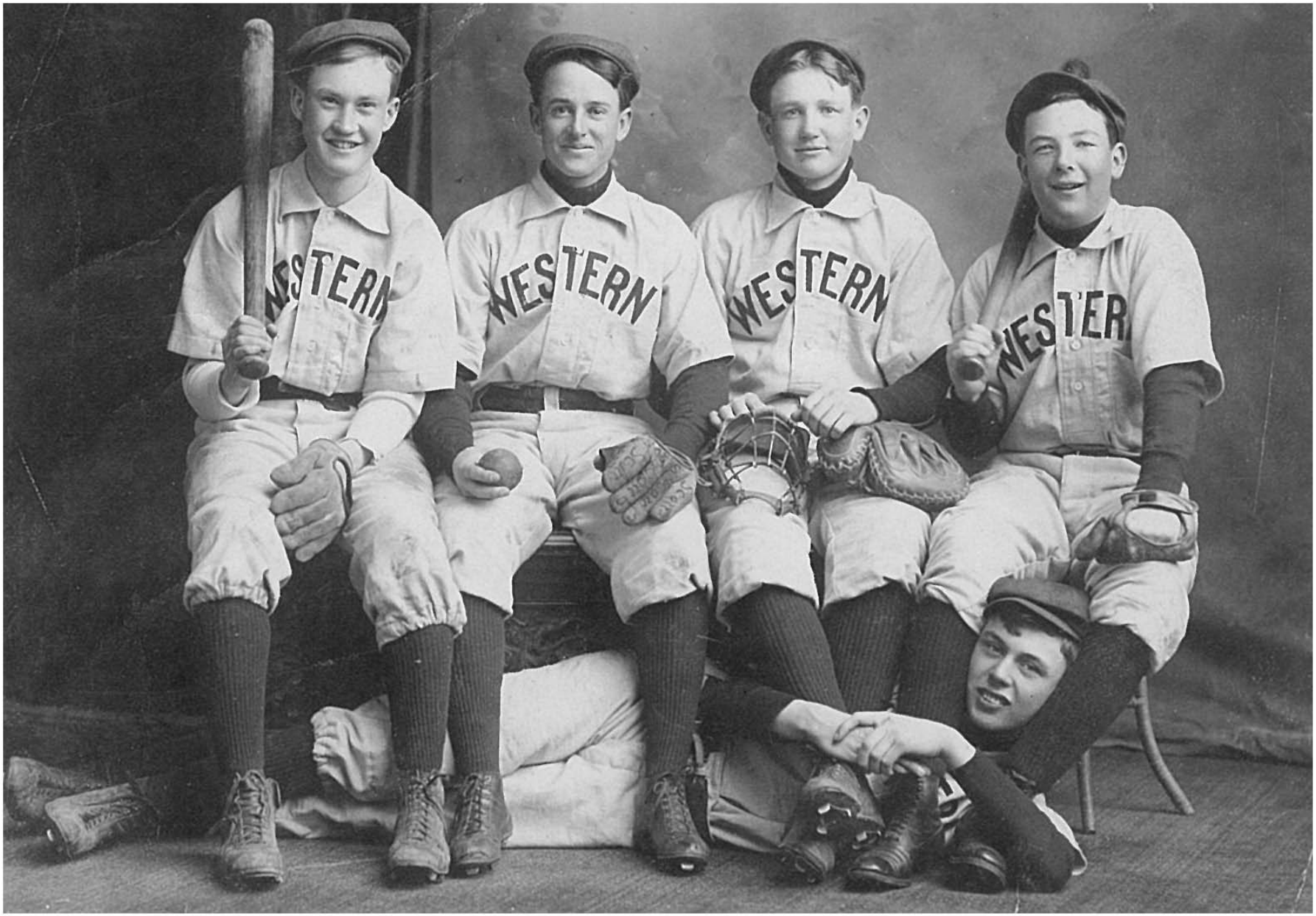
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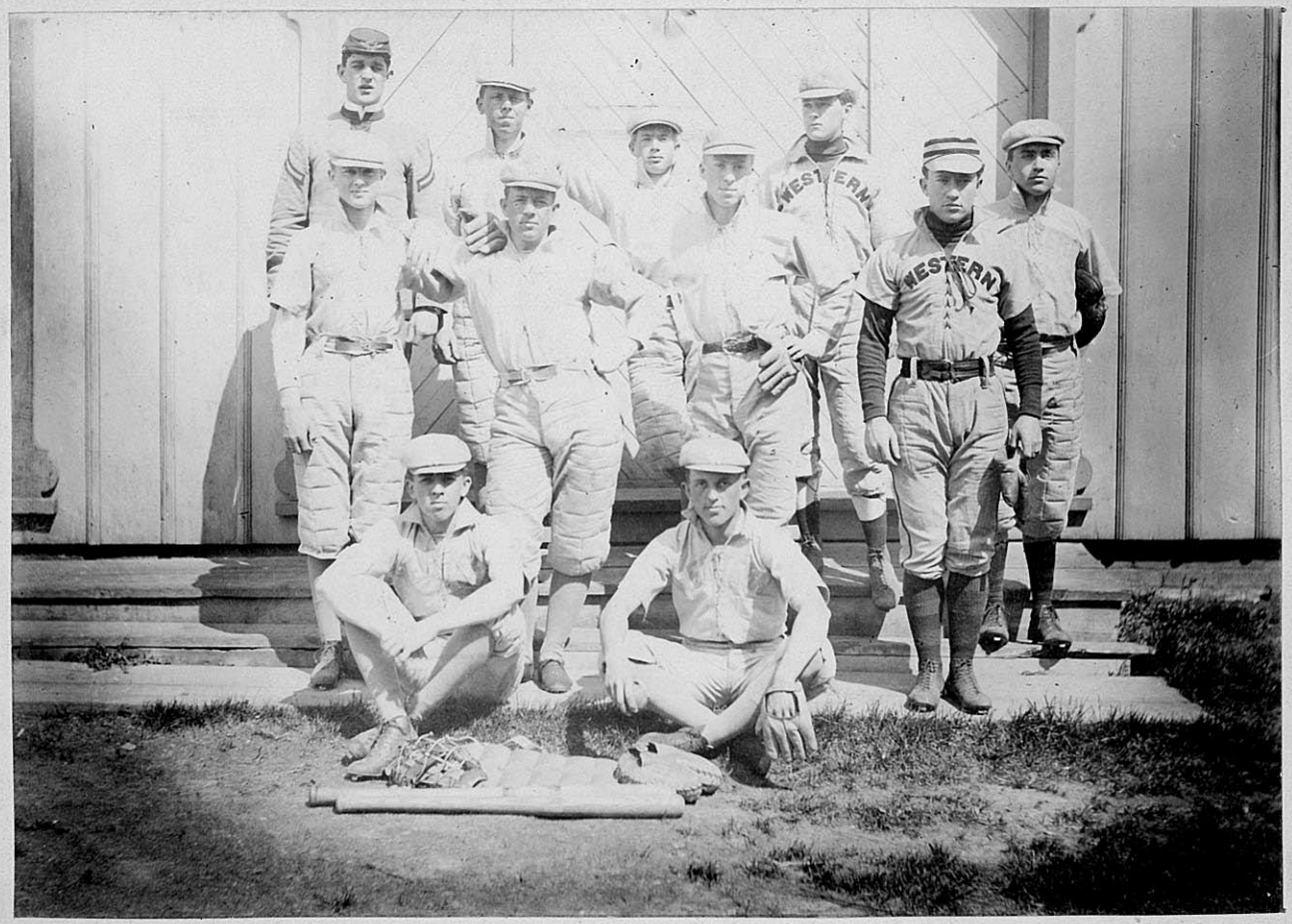
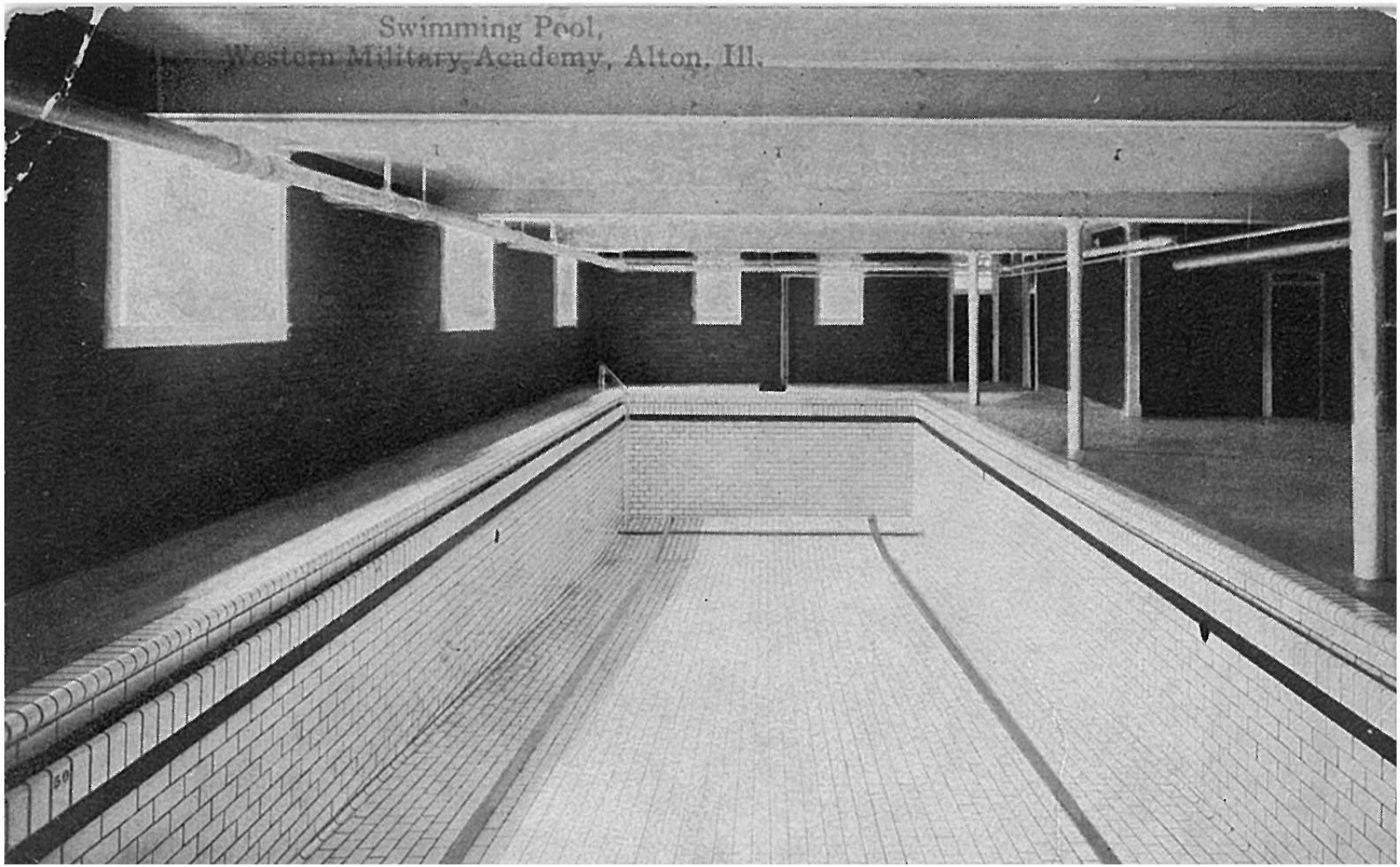
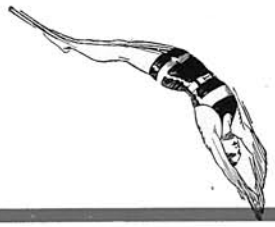



Swimming Pool,
Western Military Academy, Alton, Ill.

CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM



SWIMMING

Western had another championship swimming team this year. Its victories were not bunched, as they were last year, but there were as many and as notable victims on its string as last year's winning team had. Western defeated every outstanding club in the Missouri Valley.

Among the conquered victims were Wyandotte High School of Kansas City, Kansas, in the Western pool by a score of 45-30. Wyandotte won the Kansas State Championship soon after their trip here. Cleveland High School, St. Louis city champions, fell to the tune of 44-31 in their pool. Beaumont High School, Missouri state champions, were conquered 48-27. These were all key meets in a drive toward the championship and were notable for the close finishes and fine competitive spirit on the part of the Western splashers.

Other meets that were won handily were the pre-season meet with North Side Y. M. C. A. of St. Louis, 48-27; Principia High School twice, 56-19 and 50-25; Soldan High School of St. Louis, 43-32; Central High School of St. Louis, 45-30.

Western lost three meets. One of these was to the Washington University freshmen by a score of 40-35. This defeat was made possible by a touch-out won in the 100-yard dash by Bob Winklemeyer, former Western record holder, over Ray Johnston. The team lost to Culver Military Academy in their pool, 44-31. They also lost to Peoria, Illinois, High School, in their pool by a score of 46-29. The team previously defeated Peoria in our pool 34-32, on account of a disqualification of the Peoria medley relay team; this decision hurt

WESTERN MERMEN

UNDEFEATED!

THE TANK TEAM

Peters, Davey, Nicolay, Axelrood, Warner, Raphael, Hargraves, Coach Schubert, Barker (Capt.), Lyman, Verreos, J., Hullverson, Phillips, Regan, Wildermuth (Mgr.).

Each graduation seems to take the best men from Western's teams, and when the 1943 swimming season rolled around, only three lettermen were on hand for the varsity squad. But the immortal spirit of Capt. Williams, former coach, remained and descended upon the new mentor, Lieut. Schubert, who guided the tankmen to an undefeated season.

Coach Schubert and his mermen had another obstacle to overcome. The pool was closed because of a quarantine before Christmas. That prevented valuable, pre-season practice. However, Lieut. Schubert outlined a rigid, conditioning program which began to put the team into shape.

The first meet bore results. With traditional onions on their breath, Western swimmers conquered the hard-fighting Principia squad. Barker, Lyman, Hargraves, and Raphael turned in great performances, while Verreos J., Axelrood, Phillips, Warner, Nicolay, Davey, and Hullverson showed promise.

The cadets then dropped a practice meet to the Downtown "Y" of St. Louis, which did not count on the record. Principia again was overcome and McKinley fell victim to the W.M.A. splashers.

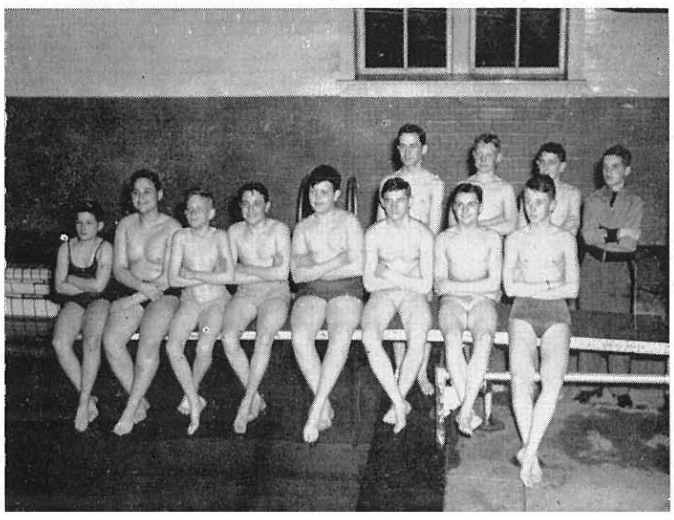
To crown the season, four cadets entered the state meet at New Trier High School at Evanston, Ill., against 25 high schools. Raphael won third in the 220 free style, Lyman took fifth in the 100 free style, Barker won sixth in fancy diving, and the four as a relay team won fifth. These four swimmers ran up enough points to rank in sixth place in the entire meet.

It was due to the persistence and the loyalty of the team and the excellent training by Coach Schubert that such a fine record was established by the 1943 edition of the Red Raider tankmen.

FUTURE STARS, J. V. SWIMMERS

First Row—Hussmann, Ruby, McAlister, Schoen, Wietlake, Floyd, Corcoran, Hafner.

Second Row—Frazer, R., MacCarthy, Russell, Jasper (Mgr.)
(Absent—Coach Kahle, Greene, Roantree.)



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ACADEMY
JOIN THE
№1- RITNOUR
№2- LAMPHIER
№3- FIETSHAMS
№4- PRINCIPIA
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New Pool Record
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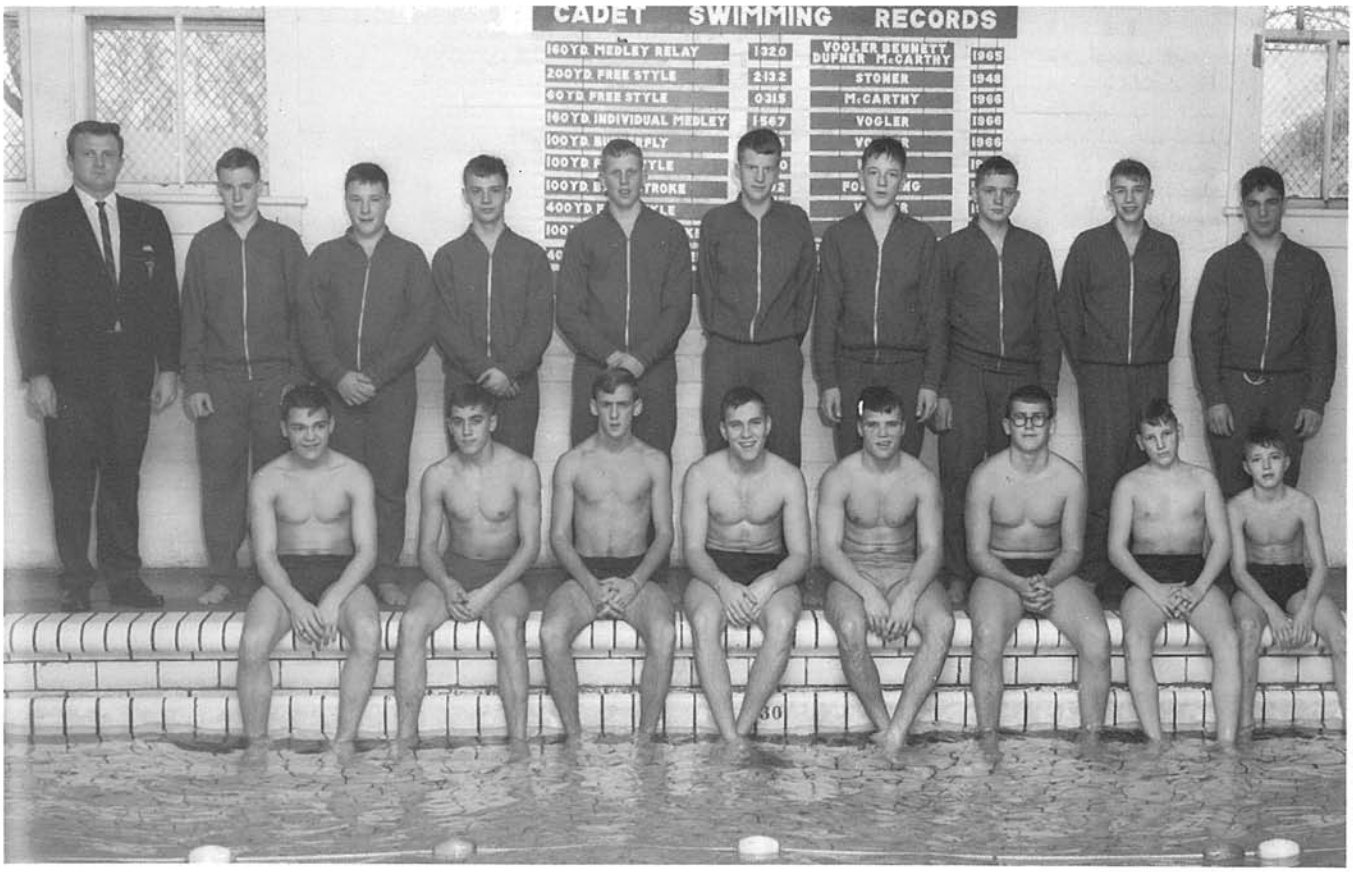
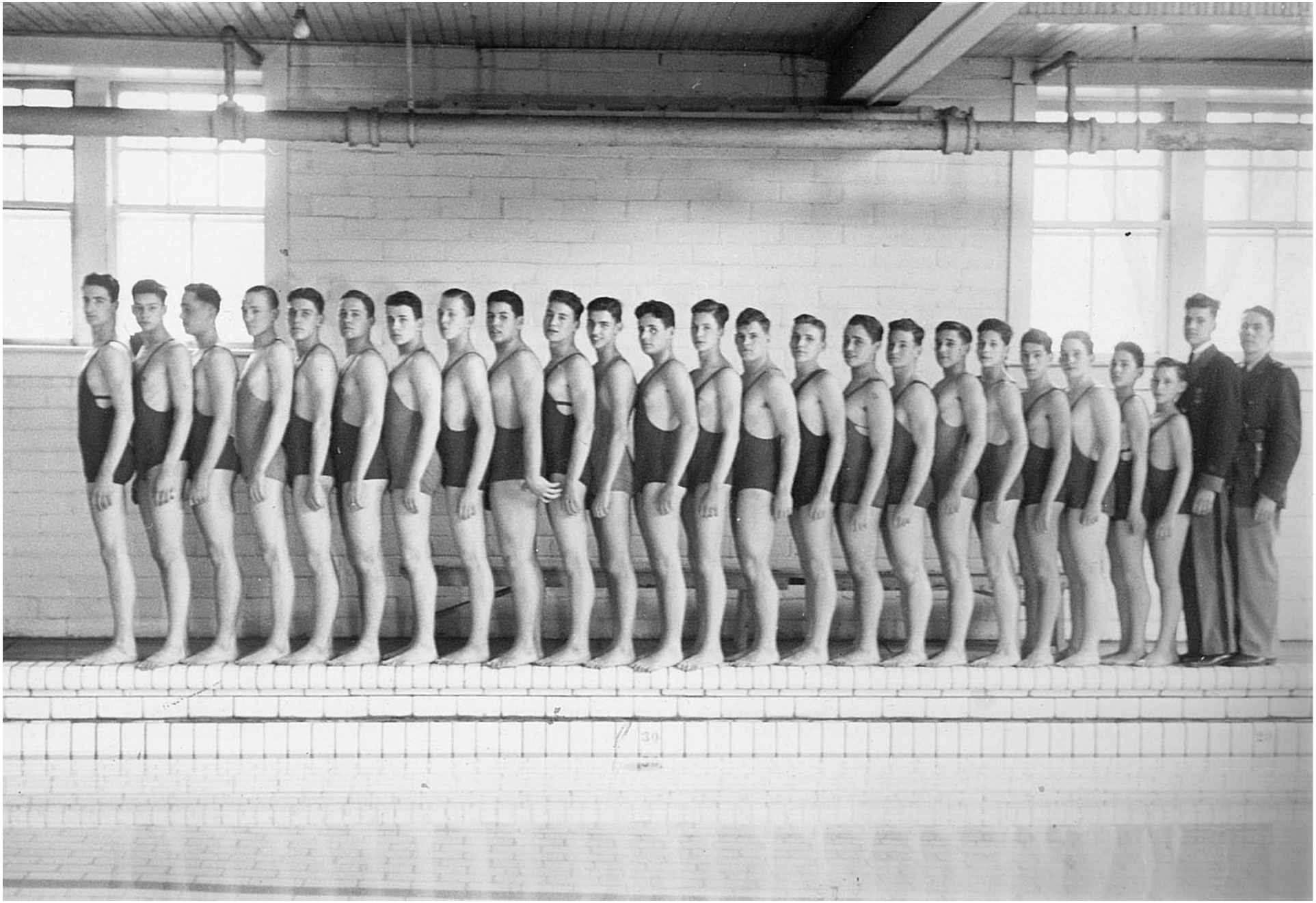


Varsity Swimming Team

SITTING: Hutter, R., Vogler, Grossman, Morgan, Dufner, M., Eby, J., Slater, Dufner, J.
STANDING: Capt. Robbins (coach), Ferrel, L., Tietel, Ludolph, Ambo, Evans, Teeple, Hrastich, Steiner, W., Lullove.

Cadet Vogler Swims a Five Record Breaking Season.



TRACK

By R. S. Knapp

This year's track team had a tough job when they set out to keep unbroken the record set by last year's team. However, they not only did that but they bettered the old mark. They came through the season undefeated, most of the meets weren't even close. The schedule included some of the best teams available for competition, plus the Maplewood Relays competition.

The outstanding single man on the team was Captain Ray Ellinwood. He has broken the school record in the mile which has stood for twenty years. Titus, Dlugon, Loesche, Wagner, Blives, Bunje, Morris, Rest, Ryan, Cutler, Varney, and Boyer are some of the other outstanding men. Others who broke school records are Loesche, in the High Hurdles, and Dlugon Loesche, Blives, and Ellinwood in the relay There are many other men who have broken different league records, but the above named men will receive placques.

RAYMOND M. ELLINWOOD.

A. B. C. MEET.

For the last four years, Western has won the A. B. C. League quadrangle meet, but this year the victory was more decisive than ever. The score was 80 for Western, while the nearest rivals , John Burroughs, had 34 points.

In this meet three league records fell: The 440, the Shot Put and the Discus broken by Ellinwood, Varney, and Wagner respectively.

PREP MEET

This year's meet marked the second consective year that Western has won the Prep League meet. Their score was outstanding, compared with the quality of competition, as the cadets amassed 74⅝ points, with their nearest opponent having only 35½ points. Records broken by W. M. A. men were: The Shot Put by Varney; the Relay by Ellinwood, Loesche, Blives and Dlugon; and the Broad Jump by Dlugon.

BASKETBALL

By M. J. Drain

The 1932-1933 basketball season was a very successful one. The W. M. A. cagers, under the direction of Coach Droste, completed the season with eight wins and eleven defeats, scoring 470 points to the opponents' 549. Although the records show eleven defeats, most of them were received at the hands of such teams as Beaumont, Christian Brothers College and St. Louis U. High, winners of the Missouri State Championship. The Red and Blue quintet tied with Principia Academy for the championship of the A. B. C. League, and finished third in the Prep League, which is the outstanding basketball conference in the St. Louis District. The final inter-sectional tilt between Western and Cluver was the feature game of the season. The Droste proteges lost the decision in a thrilling battle of 27-28, but they proved that they were a superior team and lost on the breaks of the game.

The varsity squad was made up of the following men: Titus, Bunje, Dlugon, Steinmetz, Henderson, Coghill, Drain, North, Harding, Snyder, Case and Buckley. In this group, seven men were Seniors and the remainder Sophomores and Juniors. The regular five was seldom intact, due to injuries, but Co-Captains Titus and Dlugon, Bunje, Henderson and Coghill probably saw the most service. Dlugon held down the pivot position, Titus and Bunje forwards, with Henderson, Coghill and Steinmetz sharing the guard positions.

The sensational scoring of Captain Titus playing his final year of basketball for Western,was the feature of the game. Co-Captain Dlugon handled the center position very effectively, and contributed his share to the scoring. Bunje played a steady passing game, while figuring in the scoring and rounded out the combination of Titus, Dlugon and Bunje, which has dominated the Western courts for three years. Henderson held down the floor guard position in capable fashion, while Coghill was the power in the back court. Jake Steinmetz turned out to be a good utility man for any position. Drain was on the shelf with injuries most of the season, while Buckley and Case saw some service. North, Snyder and Harding should be good Varsity timber for next year.

UNDEFEATED CHAMPIONS!

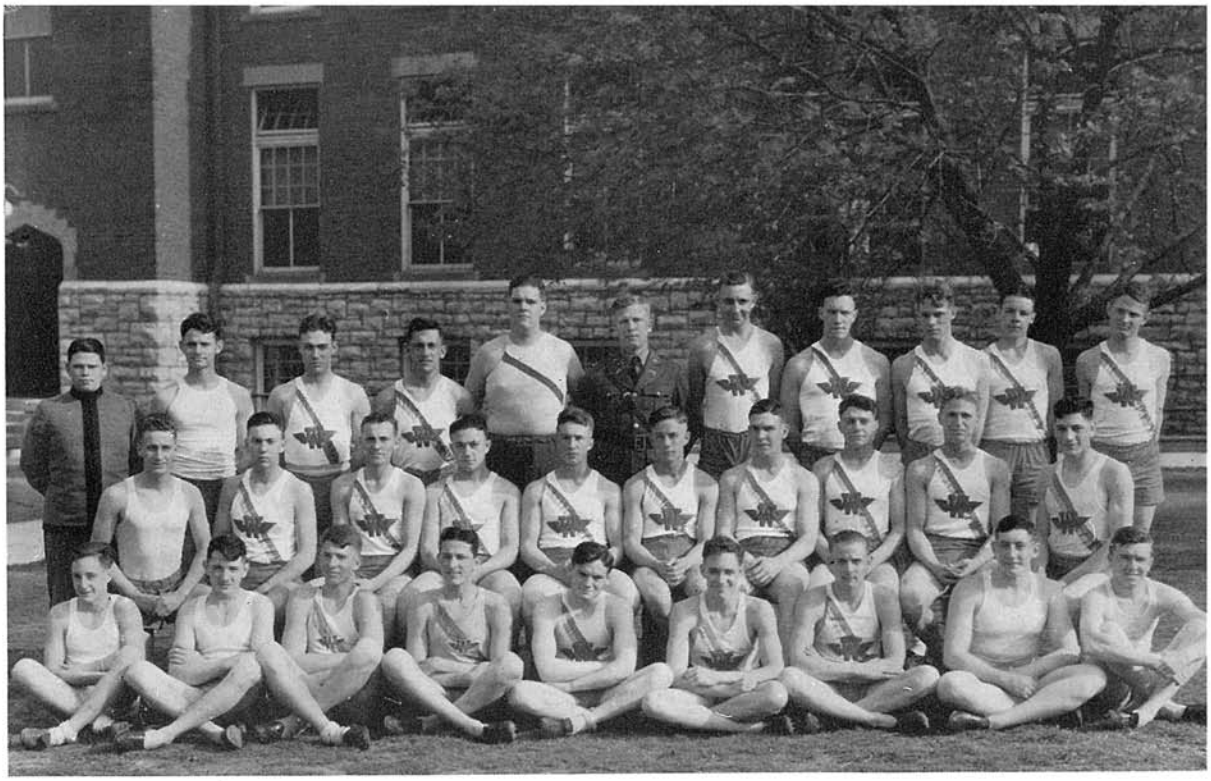
Front row—Coach McClain, Braner, Houston, Frazer, Farish, Fuchs, R., Walling.
2nd row—Adkins, Dodge, King, West, Prior, Thornton, Greene, E., Conner.
3rd row—Clarke, Moore, C., Hubeli. Webster, Campbell, B., Cawvey, Barham.
4th row—Fleischman, Hubbard, M., Muskovitz, Smith, W., Alexander, Webb, Hunter.
5th row—Dugan, Taylor, M., Fuchs, B., Champ, Quilligan, Roantree, Stephenson.
6th row—Walker, C., Touscany. Kleeman, Brown, R.

"The greatest track team in the history of the school," was the verdict on the Western thinclads for the past season. Coach McClain's men won eight meets without a defeat and were not even held to a close score. They totaled 628 points to opponents' 227 and were the undisputed champions of the A.B.C. League.

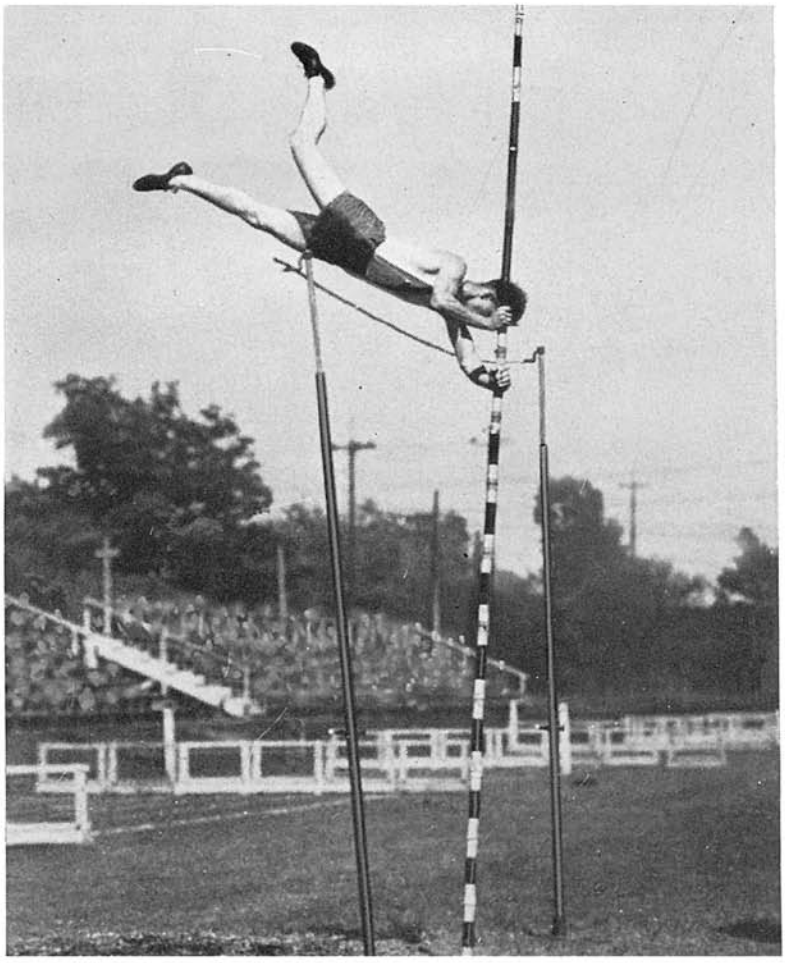
The team had strength in all departments. Bob Fuchs broke both the school discus and shot put records. Bob Frazer, in addition to averaging over 20 points per meet, set new marks in the pole vault and low hurdles. Stevens tied school and conference records in the 220 and 100 sprints. The squad was studded with other stars, many of whom will be back next year.

Here is a record which speaks for itself:

W.M.A.	90,	Principia	23
W.M.A.	74,	Wood River	34
W.M.A.	80,	Southside Catholic	33
W.M.A.	66,	John Burroughs	47
W.M.A.	99,	Country Day	14
W.M.A.	67,	Burroughs 35½, Codasco 21½, Principia 19 (A.B.C. Medal Meet)	
W.M.A.	73,	Alton	40
W.M.A.	79,	Collinsville	34



There are seven record-breakers in this undefeated Western track team.



Clearing the bar.

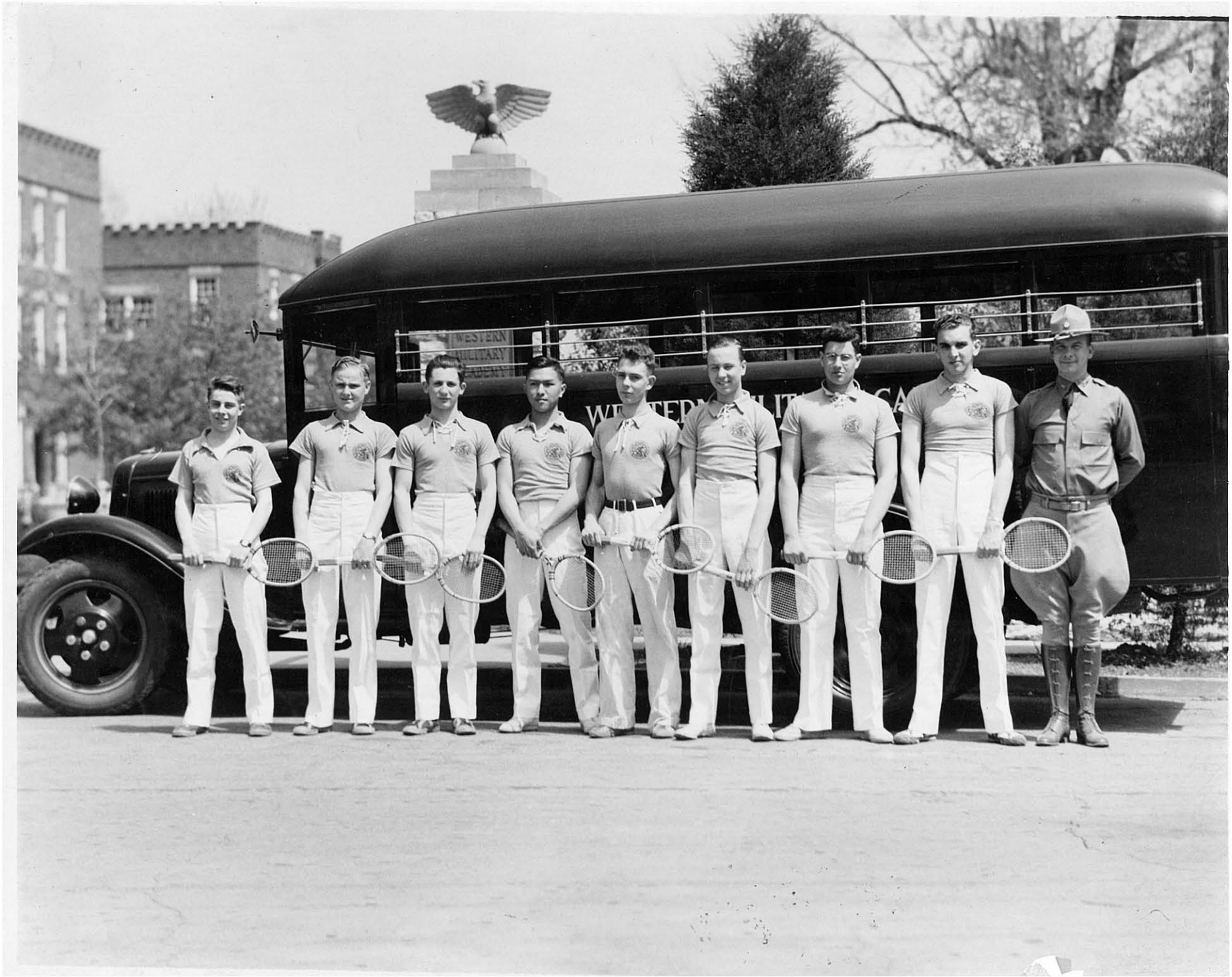
On the Golf Course.

United States. Western's course lies just north of the Barracks, where the fine rolling ground, with its dells, pond and up-hill "lay" furnishes many natural hazards.

The names of the holes are characteristic of their situation, and will be easily recognized from their descriptive appropriateness.

1.	Hill Top,	Bogey 5
2.	Barracks C,	Bogey 4
3.	Ding Dong,	Bogey 5
4.	Shorty,	Bogey 3
5.	The Oaks,	Bogey 4
6.	Aqua,	Bogey 3
7.	The Pond,	Bogey 3
8.	Spion Kop,	Bogey 3
9.	The Dell,	Bogey 4
	Total	34

A feature of golf is that it can be played throughout the year, and there are always some enthusiasts for the sport among the cadets who are not lovers of football, baseball or tennis.



The Record Breakers

"RODG" MARRIOTT has established a new school record of 19.3 in the 40-yd. free style dash.

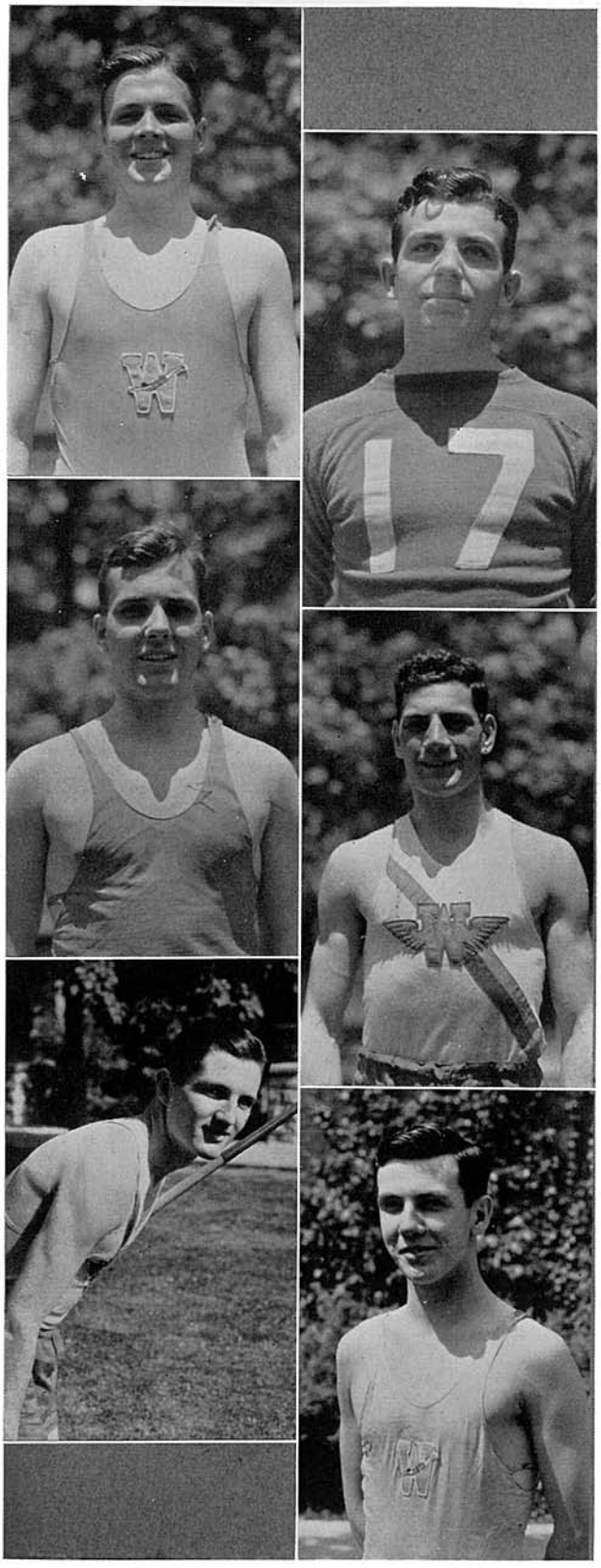
MURRAY NORTH was chosen as the All Star End of the St. Louis Preparatory League. He is co-holder of title of Best Athlete in Senior class.

RALPH JACKSON set new school record in the 220-yd. swim, the 200-yd. and the 440-yd.

MILTON BLIVES is the Iron Man of '34. He also set a new record of 26.3 for the 220 low hurdles, and is tied with North for All Round Athlete.

GEORGE HENDERSON was twice honored by selection for All Star Teams in both football and basketball. For good measure he threw the javelin 172' 4" for a new school record.

BOB WINKELMEYER came through with a fine performance by breaking the school record in the 100-yd. back stroke—1:14.1.



THE RECORD BREAKERS

BOB CUTLER

is the captain of and the highest point winner for our track team. He set a new league record in both the mile and the half. He was our third most valuable football player and he was a star performer on the basketball team. Bob is a strong contender for all-'round athlete.

ED SNYDER

captained our basketball team which tied for league championship. His strong defensive work in basketball enabled us to win from Culver. Ed is also the second most valuable football player.

GEORGE HENDERSON

is chosen our best all-'round athlete. He was handicapped by injuries during most of senior year. In spite of this he has the impressive record of winning his letter in football, basketball, baseball, track and tennis.

AL ARMATO

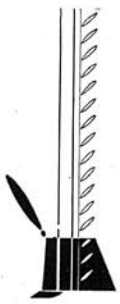
was the outstanding member of our football team. When he did not carry the ball he was running interference for others. Sport writers agree in naming him the best fullback in this section.

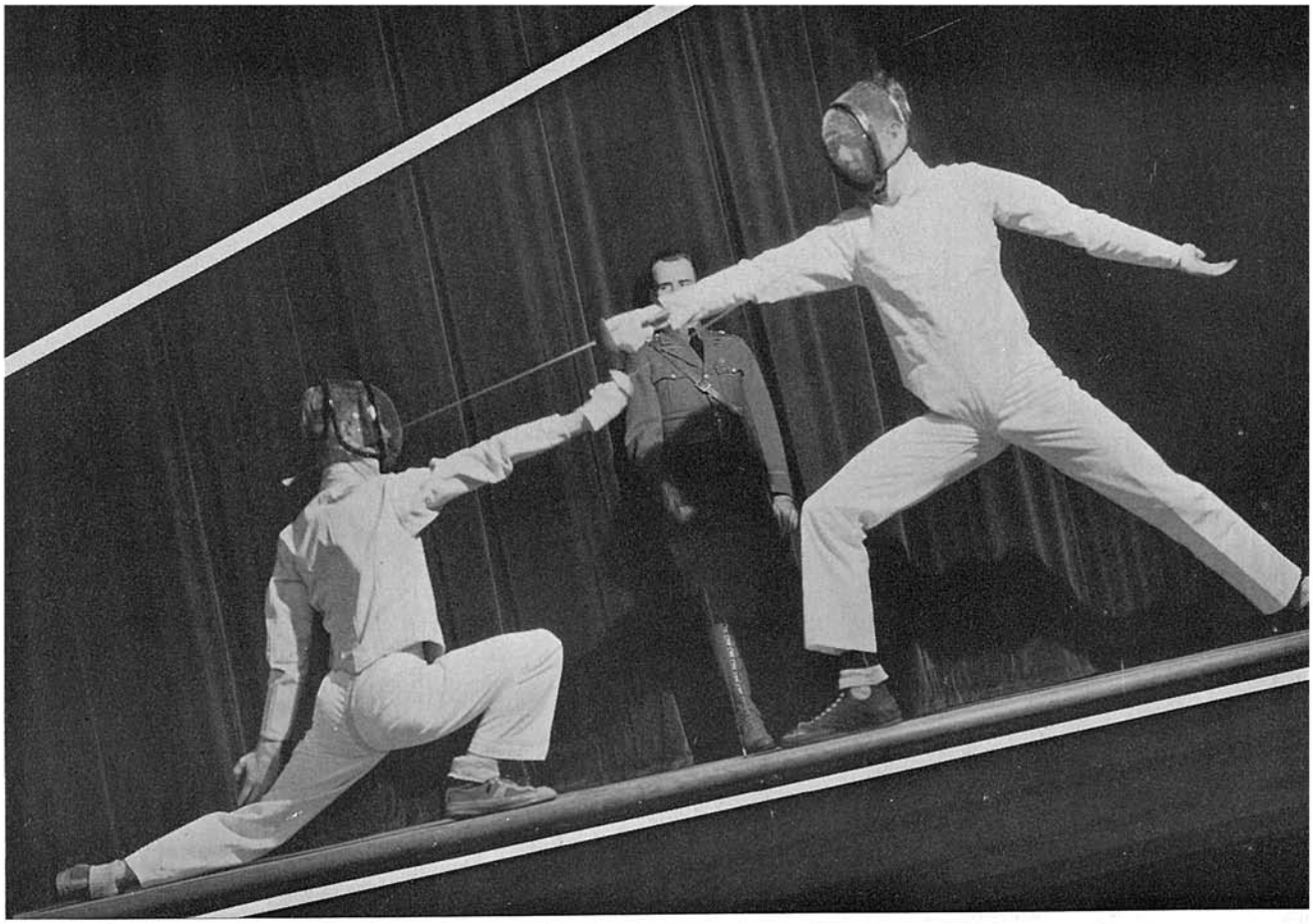
RALPH JACKSON

was the only senior to break a permanent athletic record this year. This low mark of two minutes and twenty-nine seconds in the 220 swim was made in a strange pool after a three hundred fifty-mile automobile trip. In establishing this record against Culver, he lowered his own former record as well as the former record of Culver.

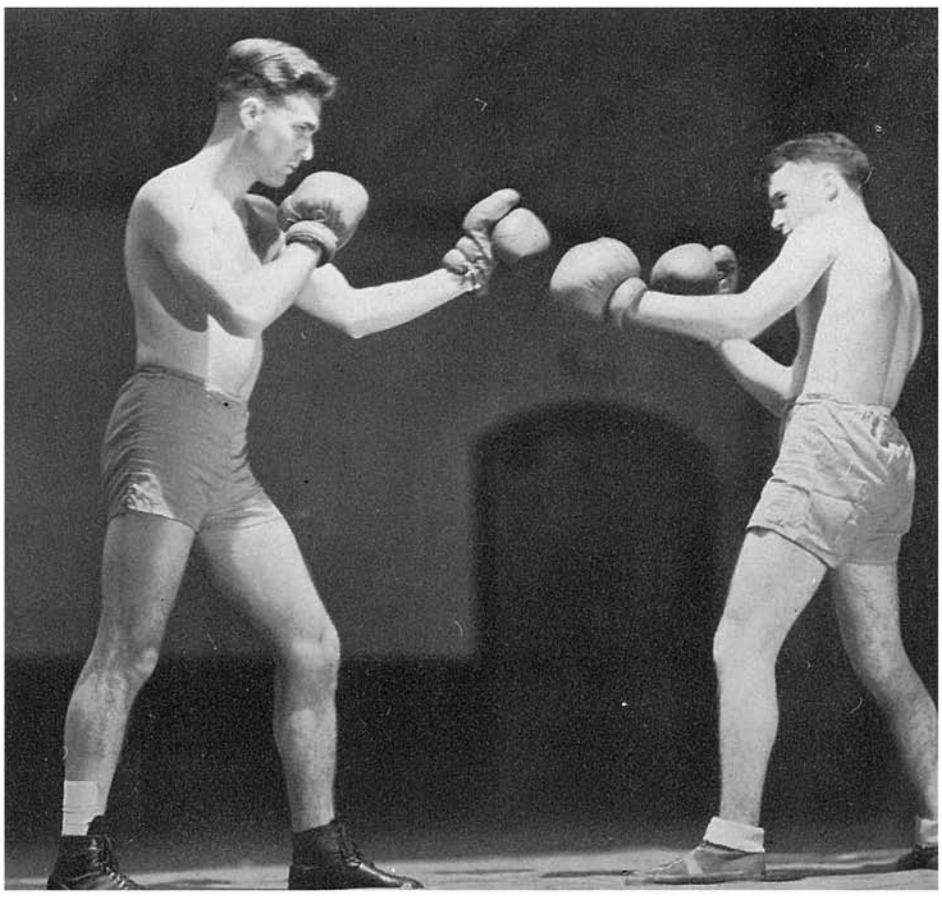
ALBERT VON HOFFMANN

was captain of the baseball team. He has been our varsity pitcher for three years. In addition to his skill in baseball, he has won matches for Western in tennis.





There is no sport superior to fencing for the development of grace, strength and poise.



Boxing for recreation—not for exhibition—is encouraged at Western. This sport teaches a boy to give and take and to exercise self-control.

Mayerhoffer jumps for "C".

The pause that refreshes.

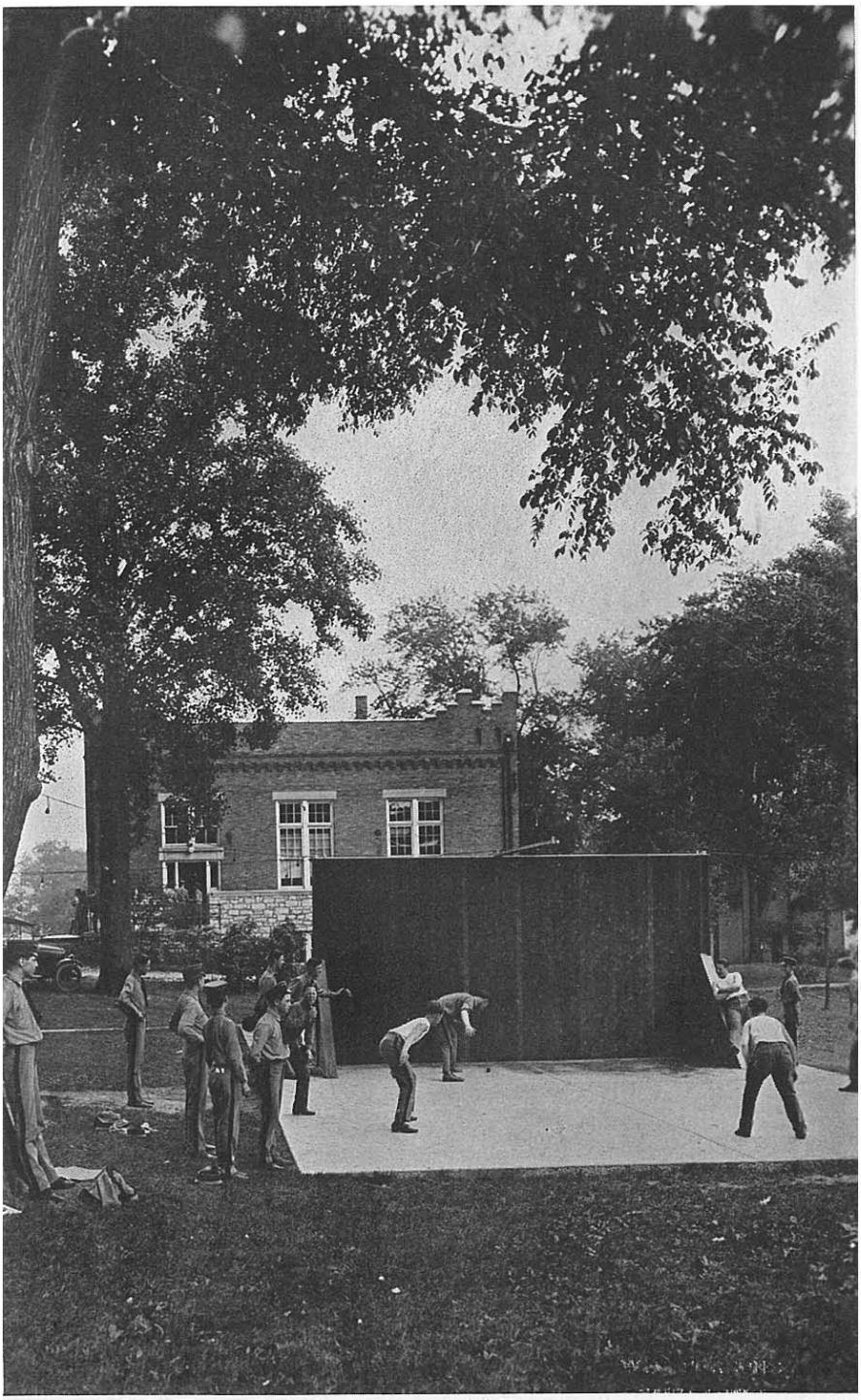
Overtime Anxiety.

Off to do battle with Prin.

Who's the dummy now?

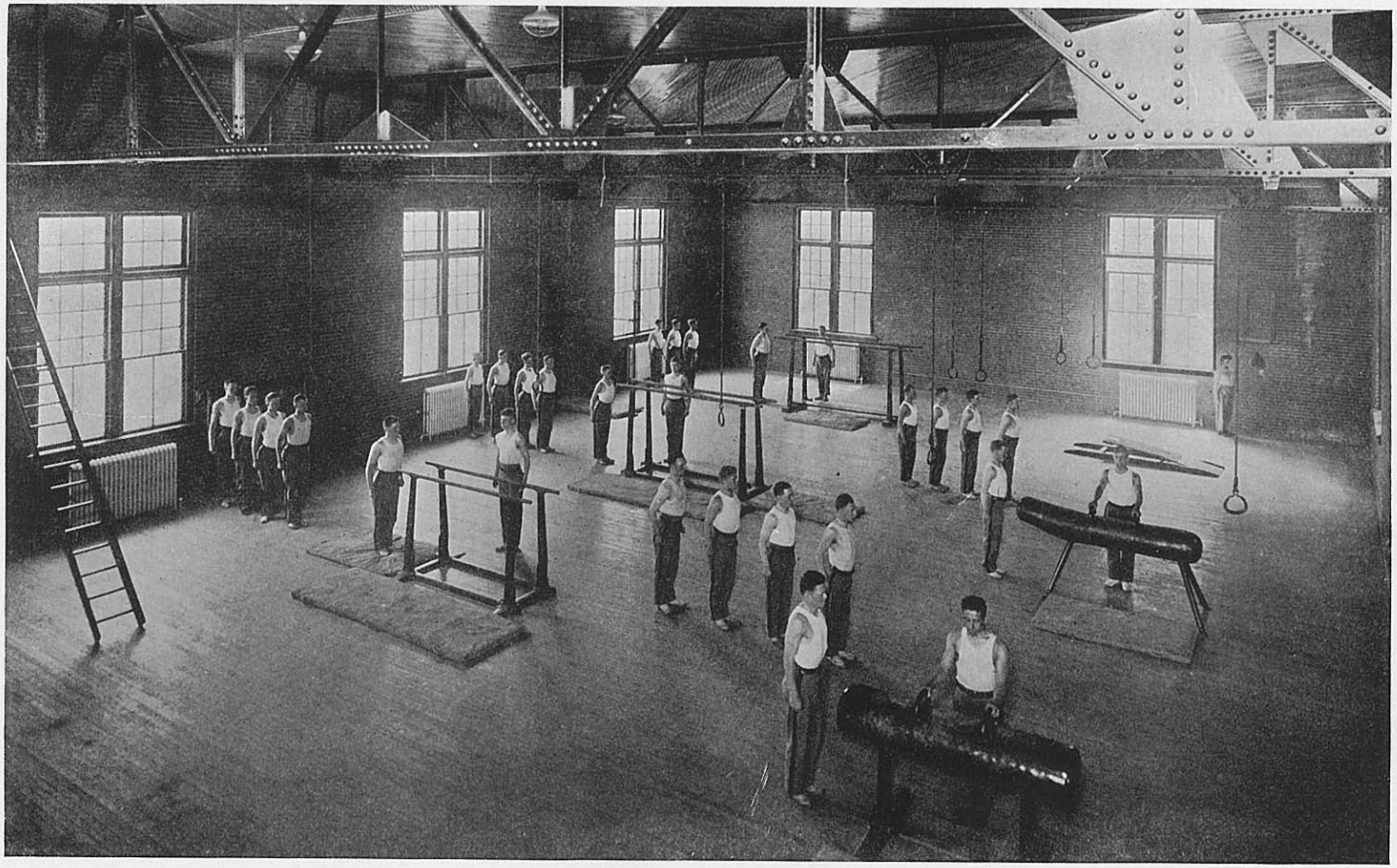
WESTERN DAY AT PRIN

Sat., Feb. 18—Western Day at Prin. The "B" team cagers closed their current basketball season successfully by defeating Principia 27-8. Kerrigan led the cadets with seven points. Nowhere in the game were the younger boys sensational, but they played a steady game of ball. In the "Prep" game, Western lost an extra-period battle to Prin, 24-23. It was a hard fought game witnessed by a huge crowd. Chap Rackaway, who played every game during the season, scored his first two points of the season in this game. Captain Droste was so elated he stopped on the way home and treated the team to banana-splits in honor of Mr. Rackaway's feat. The soccer team defeated Prin in soccer 3-1 in a runaway game. The swimming team soundly defeated Principia and then went on their annual show trip, to dinner and a show in St. Louis. Seven cadets went to the formal Washington's Birthday Dance at Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., this evening. An informal dance was held for those who cared to attend in the canteen lounge; only twelve couples took advantage of the opportunity.



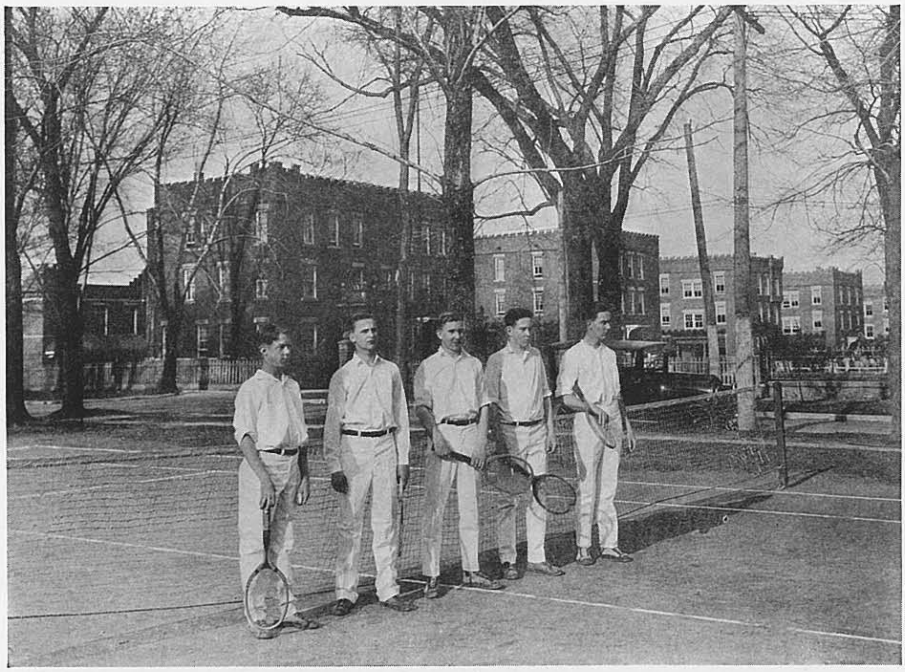
HAND BALL COURT

Banners and Trophies Won by Western's Athletes.



GYMNASIUM

50 FEET WIDE AND 75 FEET LONG



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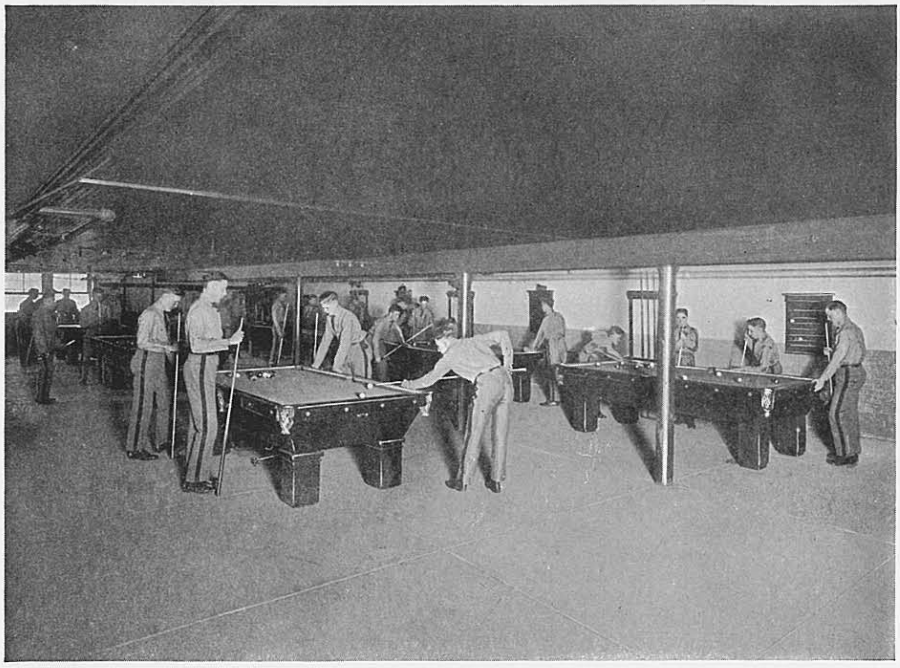

BILLIARD ROOM

SPORT SECTION SHRAPNEL

Photo by Bob Graul — Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

Buzz Taylor takes off on record-breaking broad jump.

CADETS STILL HOLD 2 COUNTY TRACK RECORDS

The Alton Evening Telegraph recently printed the names of those who still hold track records in Madison County. Two cadets have records that have not been broken yet:

Broad jump—Morgan "Buzz" Taylor, 22 ft., 3½ in., set in 1949.

220 Dash—Joe Dugan, 0:22.5, set in 1947. His record has been tied by Robertson of Roxana in 1964.

Both Taylor and Dugan were two of the greatest athletes ever to attend Western. Both were in the backfield of the undefeated championship football team of 1947 which won nine games.

Sport Shots

Two records were broken in Saturday's swimming meet with Principia. Bill Kahle smashed the 100-yard free style record by three-tenths of a second. The old record was 57.6. Prin also broke a record in the medley relay.

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Greetings, Alumni

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WESTERN CUTS ALTON VICTORY STRING, 20-0

Raiders Win Annual Turkey Day Battle Before 4529 People

Cadets Run, Plunge, And Pass Way To Triumph As Line Holds Tight

By Larry Fitter

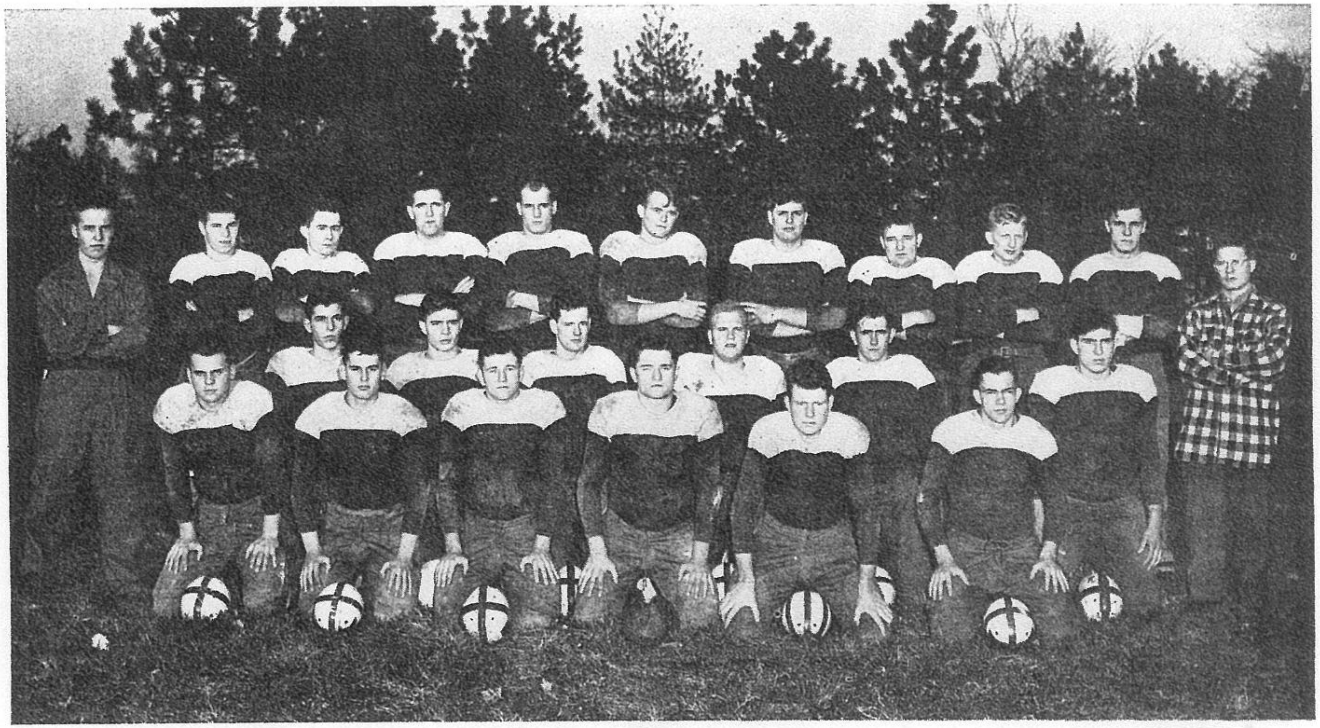
It's a long lane that has no turning.

Sparked by a brilliant running, passing, and plunges over tackle and by sterling work on the part of the line, Western's Red Raiders plowed their way to victory on Thanksgiving Day by defeating the Alton Redbirds in their thirtieth meeting, 20-0. It was the first cadet triumph since 1930 and it gave the large crowd of Western rooters, who had come from far and near, a tremendous thrill.

The throng of over 4,500, sitting through a perfect sunny afternoon, watched Joe Dugan, Lane Goodwin, and Jack Prior go over for touchdowns and the whole Red Raider line open up holes and, on defense, prevent Alton from reaching the pay zone. The victory was decisive and it climaxed one of Western's most successful years on the gridiron. Under Maj. Gus Pitt and Capt. Dwight Aller, the cadets won 7 games and lost 2, became the undefeated, untied champions of the A. B. C. League, and overcame Alton in the final game.

Score On Second Play

With both stands whooping it up, Alton kicked off to Western, and the ball was downed on the 25-yard line.



1946 RED RAIDERS—A. B. C. CHAMPS —Courtesy 1947 "Recall"

Front row (left to right)—Franks, Fuchs, Baker, J., Adkins, O., Newman, Dugan.
Second row—Webster, Jensen, Yelton, Epsteen, Blosser, Maggos.
Back row—Barham, (Mgr.), Emswiler, H., Prior, Harter, Goodwin, Lewis, D., Eyermann, Bromley, Stiebel, Walling, R., Macaulay.

Four Cadets Chosen For National Honor Society At Dance

Webster, Partain, Cawvey, And

Thanksgiving Day Service Enjoyed By Cadets And Patrons

Col. Jackson Delivers Address

Two School Bands Perform At Game

The bands of Alton High and Western added color to the half-time activities at the football game. Led by Drum Major Dyer, the cadet band

Thanksgiving Dance Is Huge Success For Record Crowd

Color, Beauty, And Music Add

Greetings, Western Alumni!

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UNDEFEATED WESTERN NIPS ALTON, 6 TO 0

Raiders Are Only Unbeaten, Untied Team Of District

Dugan's 61-yard Run Brings Victory On Turkey Day Over Stubborn Redbird Eleven

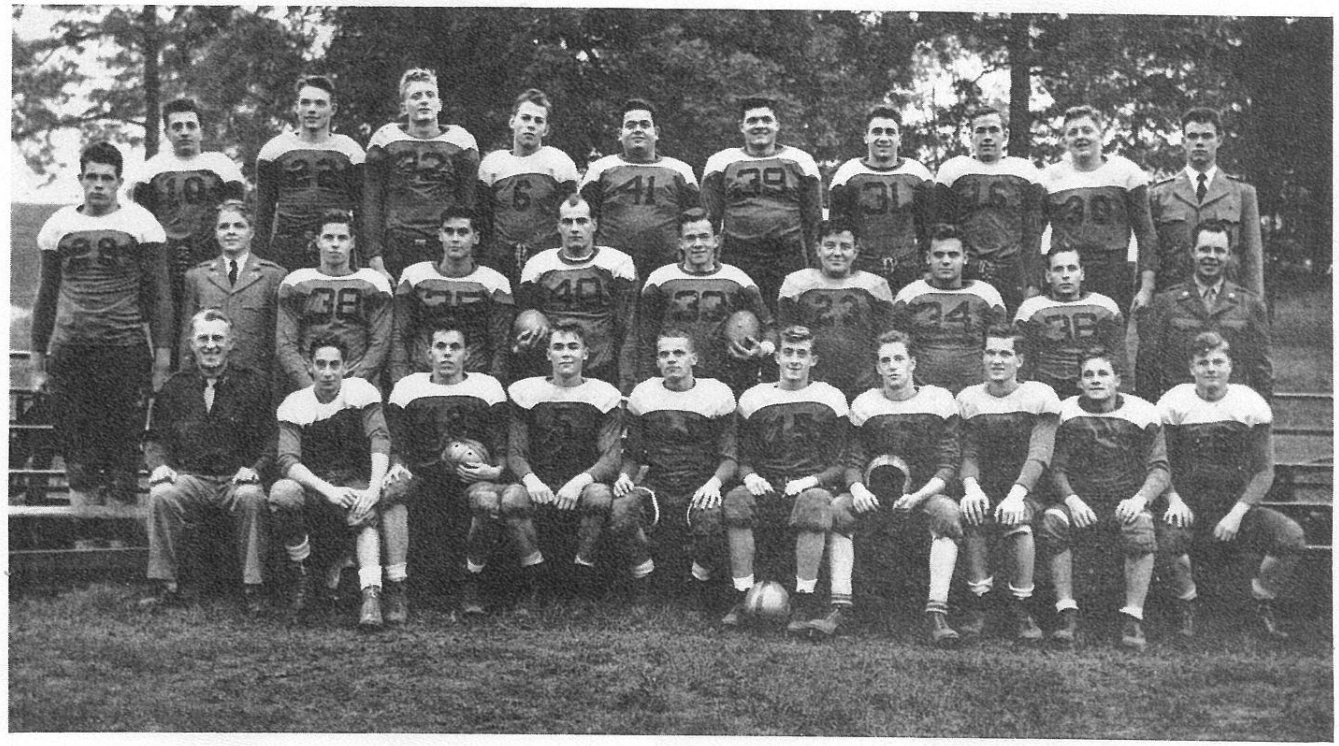
By Jay Heyman

Finishing their schedule undefeated and untied and winning nine straight games, Western's Red Raiders topped off their perfect season on Thanksgiving Day by overcoming their traditional rival, Alton High, 6-0, in a close and hard-fought game. It was the second straight Turkey Day victory over the Redbirds and now brings the series, which began in 1904, to Western 14, Alton 18, and two ties.

The Raiders met a foe which played far above the level shown during the season. The Redbirds sparkled with determination and put up a most courageous battle. The cadets were minus two of their star backs, Chuck Walker and Carl Paddor, and Berry Conner was used very sparingly.

Led By Franks And Dugan

Joe Dugan and Dutch Franks, mainstays all the year, shared backfield honors for Western, with Joe, All-District star, rolling up 259 yards on wide end sweeps and runs. Dutch made his usual plunges, gaining 56 yards, and was outstanding on defense. It was a poor day for Western passers, though Alton connected several times. Jon Newcome was outstanding for Alton both in spirit and effectiveness



WESTERN'S GREAT 1947 RED RAIDERS—Only Undefeated, Untied Prep Team In The St. Louis District

FRONT ROW (left to right)—Capt. F. V. Gould, coach; Carl Paddor, Chicago, quarterback; Tom Black, St. Louis, end; Morgan Taylor, Skokie, Ill., halfback; Joe Champ, St. Louis, tackle; Bob Dohle, St. Louis, center; Dick Mooney, Rye, N. Y., guard; Tom Emswiler, Columbus, Ohio, tackle; Joe Jones, St. Louis, guard; Claude Hazel, Steele, Mo., tackle.

SECOND ROW—Jim Corbett, Pacific, Mo., tackle; Don Weber, St. Louis, Asst. Manager; Dugie Emswiler, Columbus, Ohio, halfback; Bill Fuchs, Normandy, Mo., center; Lane Goodwin, Jackson, Mo., end and quarterback; Joe Dugan, St. Louis, halfback; Bob Bromley, Glen Ellyn, Ill., tackle; Dutch Franks, Chicago, fullback; Briggs Beadle, Atlantic, Ia., guard; Sgt. Gordon, asst. coach.

THIRD ROW—Bob Deutsch, Chicago, halfback; Chuck Walker, Columbus, Ohio, halfback; Jack Stiebel, St. Louis, end; Chuck Mallen, Chicago, halfback; Elliot Schenberg, St. Louis, guard; Jim Walker, Columbus, Ohio, tackle; Berry Conner, Chicago, halfback; Harry Chalfant, Springfield, Mo., end; Ron Foerster, Cleveland, Ohio, tackle; Bill Baker, Belleville, Ill., manager.

Not in the picture—George Dain and William Le Clair, linemen, St. Louis; Phil Taylor, end, Toledo, Ohio; Rude, center.

Bill Kammerer To Win Twelve Major Letters At W. M. A.

Will Probably Set Record That Will Stand For Years Before He Leaves School

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat carried a story of Cadet Bill Kammerer of St. Louis last Sunday, telling of his great record as an athlete at Western. The paper said:

"Cadet Bill Kammerer of 7505 Teasdale avenue, who is rounding out his fourth year at Western Military Academy in Alton, has set several athletic records which may never be equaled at the school.

"In the first place, Kammerer is the only Western athlete in history who has won four varsity letters in football. He was good enough to make the first eleven during his freshman year, while his line-plunging from full back has earned him places on several all-star teams. Kammerer also was captain of the cadet grid eleven for two years in succession.

"Kammerer was guard and captain of the basket ball team, which recently won the A. B. C. League championship. This was his fourth year on the varsity and his second year as captain of the team.

"As spring approaches, Kammerer will be out to win his fourth successive "W" in track. He also will be captain of the Western track team for the second straight year. For several seasons he has been the mainstay for the cadets in the shot put and discus. He has also run the half-mile with success.

"When he is graduated in June, he can point to the astonishing record of having won 12 major sports letters in football, basket ball, and track, and to having served as captain on varsity teams six times.

"It might be added that Kammerer has been president of his class for three straight years and president of the "W" Club, an organization of letter men, for two years. He is, at present the highest ranking cadet officer in the military battalion."

It can also be said of Kammerer that his reputation for sportsmanship and fair play is equal to his athletic prowess.

BILL KAMMERER

Larry McGrady Wins Four Letters

Larry McGrady, Senior, won four varsity letters last year in cross country, basketball, baseball, and track. He was All-ABC and All-District in basketball, and he set a new scoring cage record for a single game of 47 points. He captained the cross country, basketball, and baseball teams.

Seven cadets won three varsity letters: Harper, All-ABC in football, basketball, and baseball; Hougland, football, basketball, and golf; Lockitski, football, basketball,and baseball (All-ABC); Mills, football, soccer, and track; Naeve, football (All-ABC), soccer, and track; Rivera, football, soccer, and track; Thomas, football (All-ABC), soccer and baseball.

Eighteen cadets won two varsity letters: Barona, soccer, baseball; C. Brown, football, track (All-ABC); Cariss, soccer, football; Dickson, football, baseball; Doucleff, basketball, baseball (All-ABC); J. Edele, football, soccer; G. Edele, football, soccer; Hambel, soccer, track; Kennard, football, basketball; Kirk, soccer, track; Lozano, football, track; Reno, football, soccer; Rosenfeld, soccer, tennis; Schwengel, golf, swimming; Ron Smith, football, soccer; Sullivan, cross country, tennis.

Forty cadets won single varsity letters: Adams, tennis; Aguilar, soccer; Allen, baseball; Bloome, football; D. Brown, tennis; T. Brown, swimming; Caruthers, tennis; Ching, track (All-ABC); Christiansen, track; Dale, swimming; Drouyn, soccer; Erickson, swimming; Fencil, swimming; P. Froebe, soccer; Graser, track; F. Guada, soccer; Jedlicka, swimming; Jones, tennis; Kennedy, swimming; Kerrigan, swimming; MacFall, soccer; McConachie, soccer; McDougal, soccer; Martin, track; Merkle, tennis; Piza, soccer; Pratt, football; Prime, swiming; Reece, Rose, Sanderson, golf; Schoepp, track; Sexton, baseball; D. Slater, swimming; Sobell, soccer; Vernor, golf; Weinsting, swimming; C. Wilson, swimming; Yoch, football.

Bill Kammerer, '38, Wins Attention In Nashville Papers

Article Praises Courage In Overcoming Handicap Of Broken Back

A recent article in a Nashville, Tenn., newspaper tells an interesting story of Bill Kammerer, '38, last year's cadet major here and the best all-round athlete. He is making them take notice at Vanderbilt University.

Under a large picture of Bill was this caption—"Beats Broken Back To Win 12 Letters." The story said, in part:

"One Saturday afternoon in the autumn of 1933 on a St. Louis sandlot, a thirteen-year-old fullback on the University City Junior High eleven was tackled hard and when the opposing linemen released their holds the youthful ball-carrier failed to rise.

"A doctor was summoned and it was discovered that the boy had sustained a broken back. He was rushed to the hospital and there he remained in a plaster cast for nine months.

"Today this same youth is a freshman at Vanderbilt and expert appraisers of athletes describe him as the most versatile ever to matriculate.

"He is Bill Kammerer, 18 years old, who weighs 180 pounds and is currently running at guard on the Commodore yearling quintet.

"You see, a major mishap such as a broken back has proved no mental or physical handicap to the Kammerer kid.

"He did not return to school until 1934 and when he did, he enrolled at Western Military Academy. At the Alton, Ill., school Bill earned twelve letters, four each in football, basket ball, and track, in addition to numerous medals for individual performances.

"In prep school, Kammerer was fullback, but last fall he was shifted to blocking back at Vanderbilt and performed brilliantly on the Frosh team.

"On the hardwood he is a guard and is a marvelous ball-handler. He is overloaded with speed and is the squad's most adroit dribbler.

"On the cinder surface—and Coach Bill Anderson should be pleased to hear this—Kammerer runs the 440 and half-mile and throws the shot and discus."

The article goes on to tell that six

Kammerer Is Made Cadet Major Here At Sunday Parade

Military Promotions Announced And Awards Are Granted In Battalion

Last Sunday afternoon at parade, several promotions were announced in the battalion and a large number of miliatry awards were made by Col. Jackson, Capt. Doan, and Sgt. Pigg.

The most important promotion was that of Cadet Capt. Bill Kammerer of St. Louis to the rank of Cadet Major, the commander of the battalion. This is the highest office ever created in the W. M. A. corps, and it is not always filled every year. A cadet must be outstanding in leadership, ability, and military work in order to be Cadet Major.

The Promotions

To be Cadet Major—Cadet Capt. Kammerer.

To be Cadet Lieut. and Supply Officer—Cadet Sgt. Coleman.

To be Cadet 1st Sgt.—Cadet Corp. McDonough.

To be Color Sgt.—Cadet Sgt. Snyder.

To be Cadet Supply Sgt.—Cadet Corp. Meyers.

To be Cadet Sgt.—Cadet Corp. Dalton.

To be Cadet Corp.—Cadet PFC Luer.

To be Cadet Corp. (band)—Cadet PFC Hart.

To be Cadet Privates First Class—Crouse, Douglas, Hagnauer, Hazzard, Jeffress, Scott, P., Tyler, Althoff, Brenner, Ditto, W., English, Gonterman, J., Kent, Stelle, Towler, Sanditen, Haeussler, Thomas, McBride, Ray, Fenton.

BILL KAMMERER, '38, STUNS DINERS WITH 1908 RESTAURANT MENU

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat had an interesting article about Bill Kammerer, '38, who with his sister, Mrs. Lawrence O'Neal, operates the famous restaurant, Busch's Grove, in St. Louis.

Bill wanted to do something nice for his customers around Christmas time, so one night he offered a menu served back in 1908 with prices to match. Diners were stunned. Some sample prices were: one dozen blue points, 50 cents; sirloin steak with onions, one dollar; two frog legs, 75 cents; double sirloin with mushrooms, $2 85; highballs, 20 cents.

The customers found that it was real, and many hurried to call wives and friends to join them for dinner. Before the evening was over, some 4,500 blue points were served, and one table of four dined for only $4.85.

Bill Kammerer was a great athlete at Western and later at Vanderbilt. He won four varsity letters in three different sports—football, basketball, and track. He was a team captain six times and cadet major. Bill was a major in World War II.

Don Rumley Named New Football Coach Of Western Raiders

Former All-Rocky Mountain Halfback Joins Staff; Will Also Teach Math Classes

Col. R. B. Jackson announces that Capt. Don Rumley, former All-Rocky Mountain halfback at the University of New Mexico, will be the varsity coach for the Red Raider football and track teams next year. He succeeds Capt. Bob Jauron, who has gone to the Chaminade School at Dayton, Ohio. Capt. Rumley will teach mathematics.

It had been previously announced that Maj. F. V. Gould, athletic director for two years and veteran coach at Western for eighteen years, would have the "A" grid team this year. However, the revised plan which brings Capt. Rumley to the staff, will relieve him of the extra duty and allow more time for teaching and operating the athletic program. Maj. Gould will probably coach varsity basketball and golf.

High School And College Star

Capt. Rumley, twenty-seven years old, is a native of Princeton, Ill., and on the high school football team there for four years, he was twice placed on the all-conference team and once on the all-state eleven by the Chicago Daily News.

He attended several colleges, for the Navy ROTC program, which he entered, necessitated his shifting about. He worked out with Notre Dame in March, 1944, and played at Central Missouri State that fall. In 1945 Capt. Rumley was transferred by the Navy to New Mexico. There he played two season for the Lobos, and in 1946 was all-conference and All-Rocky Mountain halfback. He played in the Sun Bowl that year. In track, he competed in the 100 and 220 dashes and the broad jump. He won his degree in 1949 from Ohio State but did not take part in athletics because of a back injury.

Coaching Experience

Since then, Capt. Rumley has coached at South Zanesville, Ohio, where his gridmen were undefeated, at Bradford, Ohio, where his team had a 4-4 record, and at Mansfield, Ill. His track teams were also successful.

Capt. Rumley leans toward the Michigan-style single wing system of offense. He played that style of football in high school and at New Mexico under Ted Shipley. His teams that he has coached have used that system.

Capt. Rumley should add much to Western's sports program. With such experienced men as Maj. Jackson Maj. Gould, Capt. Bresson, and Capt. Lange on the coaching staff, the athletic prospects are very bright for next year.

DON RUMLEY

Forty Players Will Try Out For 1953 Red Raider Eleven

Coach Don Rumley will have a squad of over thirty cadets who saw service last year on the varsity, J.V., and "B" football teams to form the nucleus of his Red Raider team.

Of course, not all of them will make good, but Miller, R., Kaiser, Bennett, Tolen, Deem, Bilton, Backerman, Cross, J., Dyke, Morris, Hammel, and Spikes have shown first-string ability.

The following players should be ready to compete for places on the varsity team: Miller, R., Kaiser, Bennett, Bruno, Deem, Bilton, Morris, Backerman, Trespalacios, Moore, L., Bolozky, Grubb, Van, Schneidewind, Haddad, G., Miller, G., Lytle, Silverman, Estes, Lamb, Tolen, Jansky, Barbic, Moore, R., Hooser, Haeger, Kiss, Ratliff, Puchta, Cross, J., Fishman, Crandall, and Torres, G.

Some good new candidates have enrolled, and so the Raider squad at the beginning should number about 40 players.

LANGE AND BRESSON TO COACH B—C GRIDMEN

Western's fine young football teams, the "B" and "C" elevens, are expected to be strong contenders this year for league honors.

These two squads will have two of the best and most experienced coaches on the campus, men who know football and who are excellent at developing young players.

Capt. Gordon Lange, red-headed coach who has developed fine teams at W.M.A., will have the "B" gridmen. Capt. B. C. Bresson, who has been invaluable in training football, soccer, and track teams from the "C" to the varsity level, will coach the "C" and "D" players.

Sport Shots

The season ends for all grid teams next Saturday. It used to go on until Thanksgiving Day, when the final game with Alton High was played. Several years ago the late Col. R. L. Jackson decided to cancel that final contest so that many cadets could be at home on Thanksgiving. Also by this time of the year cold weather and even snow may come any day. All in all, this present arrangement is more satisfactory for everyone. We can watch a good football game on T.V. at Thanksgiving.

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By tying Benld last week, 6-6, the Raiders assured Coach Rumley of having a better season than in 1954. At least there will be two victories and one tie. And if we can beat Prin, the results will certainly be encouraging. Furthmore, several of this year's varsity squad, more than usual, are eligible to play next year.

—HTWS—

As we look back over the varsity season, several things stand out. The team started with great prospects and won two games. Then came a shakeup among the Raiders players by Coach Rumley. It was justified, but it had a weakening effect. On top of that, several key players were injured. For example, Rich Williams, who had the speed to go with the smashing plunges of Ross, Spradling, and Schifferdecker, was lost after the third game. His swift runs to the outside, which would have varied the attack, made a great deal of difference. Other injured players, such as Gruwell and Keith, hurt the Raiders' chances.

—HTWS—

In spite of all that, the varsity boys have played some good football. That game against Codasco was a honey. Again we say, a victory over Prin will change the picture completely.

—HTWS—

Let us hope that in the coming basketball and soccer season, no team shakeups will be necessary. Loyalty to team and school comes first. Personal desires come second. Western has fine cage material on all levels and also a habit of winning. Nothing must interfere with our winter sports.

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DUGAN ON STAR-TIMES ALL-DISTRICT ELEVEN

The first All-District Prep Grid Team of the St. Louis area was named last Wednesday by Al Barnes in the St. Louis Star-Times, and Joe Dugan of Western was placed in the backfield.

Eleven schools were represented on the team, and the pictures of the all-star players were published in the paper, together with an account of their qualifications.

Dugan was the only player named from a school on the "east side" of the Mississippi. In fact, he is the only player from the east side to be selected on an All-District Team for many years.

Al Barnes's team was, as follows: Rich Ortmann, Cleveland, quarterback; Joe Dugan, Western, backfield; Frank Hauff, McKinley, backfield; Jack Dieckmeyer, Ritenour, backfield; Bob Rooney, St. Louis U. High, end and backfield; Bob Owens, St. Mary's, end; Dick Bokamper, Normandy, line; Ollie Trittler, Beaumont, line; Andrew Jones, U. City, line; Leo Bargielski, McBride, line; Howard Hinkley, Webster Groves, center.

Season's Records

ALTON

Alton	0,	McKinley	6
Alton	6,	Collinsville	20
Alton	7,	Granite City	0
Alton	27,	Madison	6
Alton	8,	Edwardsville	0
Alton	0,	Wood River	6
Alton	6,	E. St. Louis	20
Alton	0,	Belleville	7
	54		65

Won 3, Lost 5.

WESTERN

Western	19,	Granite City	6
Western	7,	C. B. C.	0
Western	47,	Country Day	0
Western	45,	John Burroughs	9
Western	6,	University City	0
Western	41,	Ferguson	0
Western	25,	Principia	8
Western	18,	Gillespie	12
	208		35

Won 8, Lost 0.

The only team that both schools have played is granite city. Western beat Granite, 19-6, and Alton beat Granite, 7-0.

"Hi Ziga Zimba" Is New Football Song

People might have thought Western was an African school if they had happened to be at the singing assembly Wednesday, for the corps was learning a very different but catchy football song, "Hi Ziga Zimba Zimba".

The words go something like this:

Hi Ziga Zimba Zimba Zimba,
Hi Ziga Zimba Zimba Zay.
Hi Ziga Zimba Zimba Zimba,
Hi Ziga Zimba Zimba Zay.
Oh mow them down (Oh mow them down)
You Western warriors!
Oh mow them down (Oh mow them down)
You Western team!
TEAM, TEAM, TEAM!

Then it is sung through again and ended with three deafening TEAMS.

Lieut. Charles Jackson brought this song back from Rome, where he heard it sung by the 6th South African Regiment. He taught it to Lieut. R. B. Jackson, who changed it slightly into a W. M. A. football song. The tune was originally an old Zula warrior chant of the Kafir Tribe of Bantus stock located in South Africa.

By Schweppe

ABBY'S SIZE LED TO W.M.A. TRICK IN 1899

The East St. Louis Journal had the following story about Abby Lanmann, longtime East St. Louis police and fire commissioner, who had an appetite to match his size, 6-foot-6, 300 pounds.

Mr. Ray Hendricks told about a basketball game played here with Western in 1899. It seems that the cadets figured that Lanmann was the opposing teams' best player because he was so big, and they sneaked him into the kitchen and filled him with so much turkey that he got sick during the game.

Mr. Hendricks added, "We lost the game because of it."

Franks And Hazel Voted Grid Honors At Team Banquet

By H. Emswiler

After the Western-Alton game, all of the victorious Red Raiders had their turkey dinner at the center table in the mess hall at 6:00 P. M. As Capt. Gould, coach, and Sgt. Donald Gordon, assistant coach, entered the room with their men, the entire corps leaped to their feet and cheered the victors. The dinner table was decorated with miniature goal posts and megaphones.

The players enjoyed the same delicious menu that was served at noon —roast turkey and all the trimmings —except that cream of mushroom soup was added.

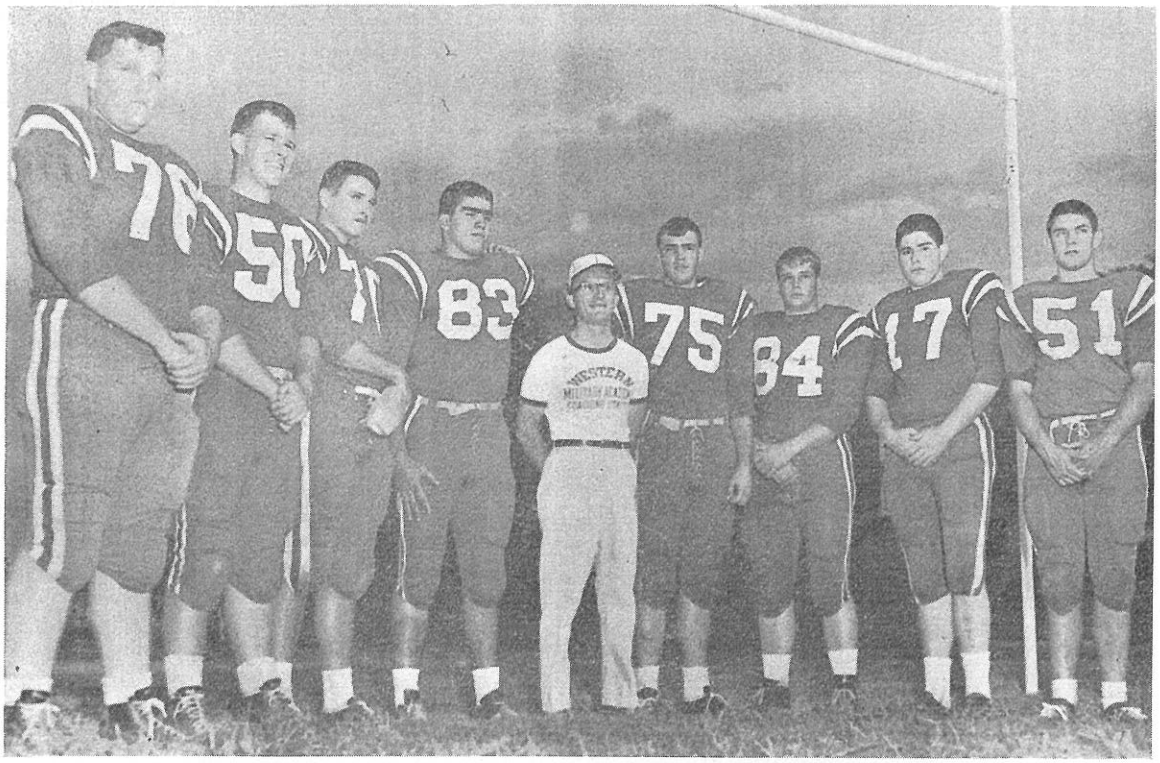
After the corps had marched out, Coach Gould made a brief speech of appreciation to the team for their wonderful work. He then related the tradition of the "Best Player in the Alton Game" and stated that ballots would be cast to decide that trophy.

Players Vote

Dutch Franks, fullback of Chicago, received the honor unanimously from his mates. "Mr. Inside" deserved the award. An All-ABC back, he always had loyalty and aggressiveness. Often when called upon to make a few needed yards for a first down, he would plow, twisting and fighting, for the necessary ground. In the Alton game he was at his best.

Voting then took place for the "Dad's Award" Trophy. The player who received this honor in recognition of loyalty, unselfish service, and faithfulness to the team was also unanimously chosen—Claude Hazel of Steele, Mo. Hazel, an ardent Southerner, played in the line for four seasons, receiving J. V. letters but never an "A". Still he came out faithfully and received one of the most-prized honors of the year. He saw much service in the Alton game.

The banquet ended with cheers for the coach, Franks, Hazel, Co-captains Dugan and Goodwin, and the perfect season.



BIG RED FORWARD WALL IS BIG WITH GREAT POUNDAGE

Left to right — Horn, tackle, 290; McCaslin, center, 204;Stanley, guard, 219; Meredith, tackle, 265; Coach Thayer; Ross, end-tackle, 230; Droege, guard, 237; Waits, quarterback, 230; Woodward, end, 212.

Press Club Photo

W. M. A. Boys Take All 2799 Points In Annual Field Meet

Recently an annual football field meet was held with radio competition among boys throughout the Middle West. In the Alton area, competition was held at Western, Milton, Alton High, and Hellrung playground. Western entered 65 boys and won all of the 2799 points on the Alton card. The competition was for punts, drop kicks, place kicks, forward passes, etc., in groups divided according to age.

Strange to say, a Western cadet from Buenos Aires, Argentina, who had never played football before, Richard Spradling, accounted for 1503 ot fhe points. Spradling, 14 years of age, punted 56 yards, breaking the old mark of last year of 31 yards. For this feat he got 830 points. His drop kick of 48 yards bettered last year's mark of 33 and gained 673 points.

Jeffress, in the 13-year old class, place-kicked 44 yards—last year's was 33—to win 643 points. Kammerer, in the 16-year old class, passed 53 yards and 1 foot—last year's was 48 yards and 1 foot—to add 653 points.

Last year among the schools, 116 boys entered the meet. This year there were 238.

Mark Dufner, '67, Is Great Player On M.U. Freshman Football Squad

The newspaper, The Press Record, has an article on two Granite City boys who have distinguished themselves on the University of Missouri freshman football team. One of them is Mark Dufner, 2602 Clevèland Blvd., Granite City, Ill.

Mark was a star backfield man on the Western varsity team in 1966, noted for his speed and spirit. He graduated in 1967 and is studying law at Missouri U., Columbia, Mo.

The M.U. freshman coach, Keith Weber, had this to say about Dufner, "Mark has an ingredient that, when you find it, you know you have a fine athlete. He has an intensive desire to play football. At 179 pounds, he is a little bit light, but he has tremendous speed and always gets the job done."

Dufner had a 4.0 rushing average per carry on the Mizzou team. His picture was published in the paper. His many friends know that he will be a great college player. He has a younger brother at W.M.A. in the Lower School who goes out for sports and is on the Shrapnel staff.

When Missouri recently defeated Duke, Major J. E. Conrad was one of the first to enter the Missouri dressing room to extend best wishes to Bob Fuchs, Mizzou center, and former W. M. A. star. Bob was a cadet officer under Major Conrad, former P. M. S. and T.

Bits of Shrapnel

Alton's "Evening Telegraph" stated that 2,900 people saw the Western-Alton game in spite of the cold. It was the largest crowd of the season.

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It was so cold that the Alton and Western bands, which had planned exhibitions between halves, gave up the idea. Trombone slides stuck, clarinet and cornet valves refused to work, and so the game was without music. Temperatures never rose above 25 during the day, and a bitter wind made the cold cut like a knife.

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George Koertel, Class '42, said that a bunch of grads, '41 and '42, had a real reunion at the game. About six or eight of them watched the contest from the school bus. In the crowd were Dick Slack, Capt. John Roth, and Frank Woosley—all former Red Raiders.

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In Alton many Redbird backers rated Alton High to win by two touchdowns, at least. Some wagered that Alton would win by 25 points. Therefore, Western's feat in holding the Redbirds to six points was a disappointment to many.

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Pfc. George Mayer, Class '43, of Indianapolis, has been on duty in Iceland with the Quartermaster Corps for nearly two years. George writes that he is eager to leave "the rock" and return home but thinks it may be some months before his discharge.

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Cadets were permitted to sleep late and have a late breakfast on Friday, following Thursday night's dance. The Wednesday program of only four classes was held on Friday.

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Freshmen military classes have been having a very loud sound picture for instruction in the assembly room. As the result, cadets in study hall sit with hands over their ears.

Now that the grid season is over, the cadets feel like relaxing with basketball and soccer. The pressure won't be on in those sports till after Christmas.

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Corcoran, Humfeld, and Yavitz, Class of '45, were here last Sunday. Corcoran and Yavitz seemed to have gone from friendship to hatred! Yavitz shot Corky in the foot with a .45 pistol last summer, and Corky is still mad!

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Some cadets, Haskell, for example, ate so much turkey that they were about to explode, like an atomic bomb. No one dared jar them.

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Flashlight pictures of the dance show that Walling had his eyes shut. Yes, he was dazzled, or maybe dazed!

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The grand march wound up with the couples having their backs to the orchestra. An "about face" was necessary before the National Anthem.

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Postel lives from Saturday to Saturday. He can hardly wait for Brenda Starr's next adventure.

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Biddle says an officer's sword would come in mighty handy at a weiner roast.

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Just three weeks until Christmas furlough! Now is the time, says Maj. Persing, to get in some real licks on those studies.

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Cadet Reichert became ill Thanksgiving morning and was operated upon for appendicitis. He is recovering nicely and will return to classes soon.

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Everyone seemed to be having a good time at the football dance, but Tarnow was completely out of this world.

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Cadets wore dress blouses to the dance for the first time this year.

Harvard Trophy Is Captured Again By Western Athletes

School Wins Cup For Second Successive Year In A. B. C. Loop

For the second successive year, Western Military Academy has won the Harvard Trophy, presented by the Harvard Club of St. Louis, Missouri, to the school in the A. B. C. League making the year's best all-round record in athletics. Western must now win it again next year, the third straight year, in order to have permanent possession of this handsome trophy. The Harvard Club awarded this prize as an incentive to keen athletic competition and good sportsmanship.

It became evident last week that Western had clinched the trophy again this year. Cadet athletic teams have already amassed enough points to make this possible, even though the baseball and tennis schedules have not been finished.

Win Many Titles

Last fall, the "A" football team won second place, but "B" and "C" won championships in their divisions. In basket ball, the "A" team won the title, with "B" and "C" in second and third places respectively. This spring, the track team won the championship while the baseball team still has a chance to tie for the title. The "B" baseball team heads the league. The soccer team finished either third or fourth, while the tennis team is battling for first honors. All teams made excellent records and perhaps the season will show five championships won.

Added to this splendid athletic record should be the wonderful accomplishment of the swimming team, which was undefeated, and the feat of the riding team, which won first honors in the Maryville Horse Show. These sports, however, are not A. B. C. League sports and do not count on

ALTON, ILLINOIS, MAY 14, 1942

Swimmers Amaze Audience In First Western Aquacade

"Water Follies" Is Display Of Precision, Skill, And Grace In Pool

One of the highlights of Patrons' Day was the aquacade, the first ever given at Western, presented by Capt. Williams's swimming team, aided by a group of attractive girls from the Alton Y. W. C. A. The event was entitled "Water Follies of 1942" or "Neptune's Dilemna." The crowd was so great at the pool that many spectators were forced to peep through windows.

The cast had worked hard on the production and they achieved remarkable perfection, a thing hard to attain in the water.

The show was built upon a story in which King Neptune (Robinson) was faced by three suitors (Rawls, T., Withers, and Hargraves) who sought the beautiful Princess (Miss Louise Wright).

Precision Swimming

The pageant opened with the entry of Neptune and the Princess, accompanied by the maids Misses Jacqueline Boehl, Rosemary Halloran, Mary Lou Hartnett, Mary K. Heraty, Lucille Konzen, Virginia Maul, Patricia Meyers, Dolores Reilley, and Bernice Schmidt. The suitors entered and were required to show their bravery and skill.

Then followed a beautiful precision water waltz to music, performed by the Princess and maids, assisted by Bahcall, Davey, Gould, Rahel, Regan, Vardaman, Warner, Raphael, and Brown, N. The "bullet ballet" came next, in which cadet swimmers demonstrated their speed and skill as they flashed through the water. The swimmers in this number were: Rawls, T., Hargraves, Raphael, Withers, Axelrood, Foegeding, and Vardaman. Vardoman, with flappers on his feet,

Bill Kahle Breaks Western Record As Tankmen Beat Prin

Cadets Add Another Victory, 43-21, As Both Teams Fight Hard

Last Saturday afternoon, without a great deal of support, Western's tank team sped to victory over Principia, 43 to 21, to keep a clean record of victories for the present season.

Each of the teams broke a school record. Bill Kahle of St. Louis, ace swimmer of the W. M. A. team, lowered the school mark in the 100-yard free style race. His time of :57.3 beat the old record of :57.6 set by Henri Chouteau back in 1936. Chouteau is a brother of Rene Chouteau, present Yale star and the best swimmer in the St. Louis area. Last year Kahle came within reach of the record and this year he steadily improved until the new mark was his. All three watches agreed on his time in the fine performance.

The Prin medley relay team also broke their record of 1:57.9, made in 1939, by swimming the distance in 1:53.3. Western's team of Kahle, Vogler, and W. Jackson also lowered the W. M. A. time in this event, but as Principia won the race, the record did not count.

The meet was hotly contested and many races were close, but Prin won only one individual event, Wehmeyer's first in the back stroke. Brant of Western cut several seconds from his time by a fine performance in the 220 free style, and Barker and Turner showed smooth form in winning the diving. W. Jackson and Bisch also added firsts to the cadet total. The team made a fine showing, though several regulars were not in the competition. From now on, says Coach Williams, the going gets tougher.

Vogler Named Best Swimmer Of Year

Edwin Vogler, III, a senior, has been named the best swimmer of the year by Capt. Philip D. Robbins, swimming coach, and he will receive the trophy award for his performance.

Vogler has set four new school swimming records this season, often lowering his own time. They are:

200-yd. freestyle, 2:09.6, Jan. 7.

60-yd. freestyle, 0:31.2, Jan. 28.

160-yd. individual medley, 1:56.1, Dec. 10.

100-yd. butterfly, 1:02.2, Jan. 20.

Vogler has been on the swimming team four years. He is from Carbondale, Ill., and his father, E. W. Vogler, Jr., was valedictorian of the W.M.A. Class of '38.

Doucleff Is Named Player Of Year At Exchange Banquet

by Gary Mueller

Last Wednesday evening the 15th annual "Player of the Year" Banquet, sponsored by the Alton Exchange Club, was held at the Masonic Temple, and Western's Karl Doucleff, 6 ft. 5 in. center-forward, was named the best basketball player in the Greater Alton area. He became the first W.M.A. player ever to win the award. Easy Ed Macauley, coach of the St. Louis Hawks, presented Karl a handsome trophy.

Players from Wood River, Roxana, Bethalto, Marquette, and Alton attended the dinner. Western boys present were Lockitski, Miller, L., Dickson, Kennard, Howard, Sullivan, P., Grant, Martin, Thomas, P., Mueller, G., and Studebaker.

Doucleff's Record

Doucleff led his team and the A.B.C. League in scoring, breaking both records. He set a record for one game with 48 points. He led the Raider team in rebounds and was high on free throws.

First, there was a delicious fried chicken dinner. Then Jack Barban, sports editor of the Alton Evening Telegraph, named the ten members of the All-Area team. Doucleff was the only W.M.A. player on this team.

Wood River's Gordie Hill received the free throw trophy with a 79 per cent shooting mark.

Ed Macauley Speaks

Ed McCauley, the featured speaker, gave a most interesting talk. He told a little about each of his Hawk players and told what it takes to become great: work and more work. Evidently Doucleff had heard that advice, for a local paper quoted his mother as saying that Karl's practicing in the back yard had paid off with a beautiful trophy.

Larry McGrady Is W.M.A. Choice For Area Cage Honors

Larry McGrady was Western's candidate at the Alton Exchange Club's Most Valuable Player of the Year banquet at the Franklin Masonic Temple Wednesday night. Other high schools of the area will also name candidates. The players and the coaches will be guests.

McGrady, a 6-1 forward, scored the most points in a single game in the area with 47 against Brussels. That was also a new Western record. Other school records set by him were: most field goals per game 17, most points in one quarter 23 against Brussels, most points in one half 40 against the same team, and his 25.3 points per game average.

McGrady led the ABC League in scoring with 173 points for a 21.6 game average. Western tied for the conference cage title.

He also totaled 405 points in 16 games and hit 89 of 146 free throws for a 61 per cent.

McGrady's favorite shot was a driving layup from either corner. He is a senior at Western ,and his home is at Affton, Mo.

Larry is also a varsity baseball pitcher and is on the track squad. Last fall he was the No. 1 man on the cross country team.

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DOUCLEFF STILL HOLDS CAGE SCORING RECORD

Dick Stratman scored 36 points, tops for an A.B.C. player so far this year, in Western's 77-63 win over Codasco.

However, the Academy's record for the most points scored in one game still belongs to Karl Doucleff of Alton. He poured in 48 points in a 104-44 victory over Prin in 1960. He topped Larry McGrady's 47 points made in 1959 in a game against Brussels.

BILL VOGLER, '67, IS STILL IMPROVING ON COLLEGE SWIM TEAM

Bill Vogler, '67, of Carbondale, Ill., writes that he is attending Springfield College, Box 868, Springfield, Mass. He wants copies of the school paper.

Bill is swimming on the Freshman team of the college and has lowered his time twice in two events in spite of being ill. His 100-yard butterfly time is now 58.3 and his 100-yard freestyle is 53.6.

Vogler was the "swimmer of the year" at Western last year. He set six new records and received a trophy at commencement. His events were freestyle races, the butterfly, the individual medley, and relay races.

Vogler also belonged to COIN, MTO, "W" Club, Cadespians, and to the varsity swimming, track, cross country, and basketball teams.

His father, E. W. Vogler, Jr., was valedictorian here of the Class of '38.

COL. JACKSON ONCE BROKE SWIM RECORD

In the 25-year-ago column of the Alton Evening Telegraph was an item that in 1934, Col. Ralph Jackson, then a cadet at Western, broke the school swimming record for the 220-yard free style with a mark of 2:37.1. Probably no member of today's team could equal that time. The 220 free style today has been reduced to the 200-yard free style. The coach at that time was Capt. Newell F. Williams.

"A" Cagers Start With Five Letter Men From 1955

By Blitstein

Capt. Rumley is holding varsity basketball practice, and he has five of last's year's championship team on hand, 4 Seniors and one Junior.

Otto Bean, last year's all-ABC and all-district player, and leading scorer, heads the list. Estes, Magee, M., Allen, and Till are true and tried veterans.

Lyon, Hearst, Wilson, Thornhill, Moser, Schifferdecker, and Long have had previous experience on other teams.

The players are putting everything into their training, and they hope to better last season's record of 13 wins and 4 losses.

Mr. Francis Hunter, a student at Shurtleff, will help with the "A" and "J. V." squads.

River on November 22. On November

The first games will be with Wood 30, Chaminade will be met by both teams there. On December 2, St. Charles will come here. The varsity will enter the Principia tourney on December 6. The last "J.V." and "A" games before Christmas will be with University City on December 13.

Doucleff's Point In Last 2 Seconds Nips Worden, 60-59

by Gary Mueller

Tuesday evening of last week at Worden, the Ringling Brothers, Barnum and Bailey Circus came to town. This group, better known as Western's varsity basketeers, walked off with a close 60-59 decision over the Worden Trojans. The four Ringling Brothers, Lockitski, Harper, Kennard, and Hougland, provided the accessories, while the main act of Barnum and Bailey, also known as McGrady and Doucleff, supplied three-fourths of the points and the last-minute heroics.

Raiders Ahead At Half

Larry McGrady's 32 points kept W.M.A. in the game for three quarters, but it took Karl Doucleff's last-period surge to halt a Worden bid that came dangerously close to sending the Raiders down to defeat.

McGrady tallied 6 points in the first quarter as Worden slipped ahead, 16-5. Then Larry let fly a deluge of points, 13 in the second quarter, giving Western a 34-25 lead.

This margin should have been safe, but in the third quarter the Trojans stopped Western's attack and whacked away to trail only 45-44 at the end of the third stanza.

Final Thrilling Quarter

Then came the thrilling last frame. Doucleff early committed his fourth foul and seemed on his way out. He had been a power on rebounds. Duke, however, fought back, snared rebounds on defense and offense, and added 7 highly important points.

Worden took a 53-52 lead with only four minutes left. Larry McGrady drove in for a lay-up and was fouled. His 3 points and Doucleff's jump shot put Western ahead, 57-55. Opel counted for Worden. Doucleff missed a shot, but Charles Kennard tapped the rebound through the hoop. Daube and Tom Opel looped shots for Worden, and the score stood 59-59 with ten seconds to play.

Winning Free Throw

Doucleff took a pass from Lockitski and was fouled in the act of shooting. Two seconds were left. Coach Crumpacker called time out to relax his players before Karl tried his two crucial free throws. With the crowd roaring wildly, his first

History And Ideals Of ABC League

In the 1920's, the A.B.C. League was formed as the result of Mr. Samuel Leland's efforts. He was the Athletic Director of John Burroughs. He wrote to a friend in California for information about a classification system that would provide better athletic competition for more participants. Mr. Lee McCandless, Athletic Director of Principia, Mr. Robert Hughes of Country Day, and Maj. Frank Garetson of Western, met in a historic meeting, and the league was formed with these four schools. Since then, Lutheran Central and Lutheran South have joined.

At first many problems had to be solved, such as athletic classifications to meet the special needs of the member schools. It was in 1928-29 that the A.B.C. League actually began to function. The reason why this conference has been unique and successful through the years is the close geographical relationship of these schools with similar ideals and philosophies of education.

Each team on the "A", "B", or "C" level could win the title in its division and gain a number of points. The overall athletic championship of the year was determined by the total of these points.

The summary of league championships through the years is as follows.

	JBS	CDS	WMA	PRIN	LC	LS
A Foootball	10 W	8 W	9 W	2 W	0	0
	3 T	3 T	1 T	1 T	0	0
A Basketball	6 W	7 W	6 W	5 W	1 W	0
	2 T	5 T	5 T	1 T	1 T	0
A Soccer	13 W	11 W	4 W	2 W	----	----
	2 T	2 T	1 T	0	----	----
A Baseball	17 W	3 W	4 W	0	2 W	0
	6 T	3 T	2 T	1 T	1 T	0
A Track	3 W	3 W	12 W	14 W	0	0
A Tennis	3 W	26 W	0	0	0	0
	1 T	0	0	1 T	0	0

It is interesting to note how evenly matched the football and basketball championships have been. John Burroughs and Country Day have generally fought it out for soccer honors and, until the recent challenge by Lutheran Central, John Burroughs seemed to be invincible in baseball. Principia and Western have aways dominated the track scene while Country Day holds a virtual monopoly in tennis.

The recent admission into the ABC League of Lutheran Central in 1957 and Lutheran South in 1958 is a welcome development. Mr. Wayne Vogelsmeier has been the athletic director for Lutheran Central since its League debut and has seen teams from his school already capture one basketball championship and tie for another, while winning two baseball titles and tying for still a third. Dave Wiesner was the first ABC athletic director for Lutheran South. Jack Foszholz is the present director. Other athletic directors at the present time are Tom McConnell (John Burroughs), Major Bernie Bresson (Western Military Academy), Harold Rusk (Principia) and Russ Stickney (Country Day).

Since its inception in 1928, the ABC League has continuously and strongly supported five major aims. These are listed in detail on the first two pages of our ABC Manual. Stated briefly, they are:

1. To provide, through the scheduling of games between well-matched student groups of the member schools, a program of athletic competition which is commensurate in scope and intensity with the physical and mental development of the individuals composing these groups.
2. To assure equal competition between the athletic teams of the member schools by continuously stressing the importance of accurate classification of competitors and the dangers of inaccurate classification.
3. To create and maintain in ABC League contests a spirit of play and good fellowship free from the pressure commonly

SPORT SECTION

Doucleff And "A" Cagers Set School Records In 102-44 Win Over Principia

Team Total Is New High And Doucleff's 48 Points Breaks Old Mark Of Larry McGrady

A 102-44 victory over Principia's Panthers here last week smashed two major school records and three minor records.

Headlining the list of records was Karl Doucleff's 48 points, a new individual school scoring record, as it topped Larry McGrady's 47 points made in 1959 against Brussells. Before that Otto Bean in 1956 had the record at 46 points.

New Individual High

Karl broke the record by counting 34 points in the second half, after being held to 14 points in the first half. It is interesting to note that McGrady poured in 40 points during the second half during his record-breaking evening.

While Karl shot the eye out of the basket, making nearly 70 per cent of his shots, the other Raiders also had a field day, totaling 54 points to set a new W.M.A. team record of 102. Also in double figures for Western were Lockitski with 17 and Dickson with 12, a new season high for Tom.

Raiders Gain Early Lead

The game opened quickly with Lockitski's basket, and seconds later Doucleff rifled the first of 19 field goals, another school mark, topping McGrady's top of 17. Western closed out the first period with a 26-9 lead, with Lockitski having 10 points and Doucleff 7.

In the second period Doucleff added 7 more points, and the Raiders outscored the Panthers 17-12 to lead at the half, 43-21. The second-string players were in for about three minutes of the time.

Doucleff's chance for a new record four shots and a free throw. Howard's 2 charity tosses tied the school mark at 91, and Tom Dickson set a new team high of 93 with a driving layup. He then quickly scored 3 more points.

With only 40 seconds left, Lockitski lofted a pass to Karl under the basket, and the 6' 4" forward dropped the ball in to tie the individual record of 47 points. But he was fouled as he shot, and he set the new mark with a free throw which bounced off the front rim and in. This was the 100th point for the team, and Dickson's final goal made the score 102-44 for Western. The 58-point margin was a new school record as was the 36 field goals and 30 free tosses made by the team. Doucleff's 48 points

LEAGUE SCORING STANDINGS TO DATE

by Gary Mueller

The A.B.C. individual scoring in basketball finds Karl Doucleff of Western with a 50-point lead over his nearest rival, Bill Leistritz of Lutheran Central. Codasco's Deibel is just 2 points behind Leistritz. Mill of Burroughs jumped from 6th to 4th place. Western's Sonny Lockitski jumped all the way from 18th to tie for 7th place.

The leading scorers:

1.	Doucleff, W.M.A.	152
2.	Leistritz, LC	102
3.	Deibel, CDS	100
4.	Mill, JBS	91
5.	Sale, JBS	75
6.	Sprague, Prin	73
7.	Lockitski, W.M.A.	71
	Ruh, LC	71
9.	Mabry, JBS	70
10.	Achuff, CDS	69
	Kremmel, LC	69

Raiders Slow Down But Defeat Lutheran S., 56-40

by Gary Mueller

Western's varsity basketeers were somewhat startled by a vastly improved Lutheran Sounth quintet, but recovered nicely in the last half to capture a 56-40 victory, despite one of the poorest team efforts of the year.

Karl Doucleff's inability to follow up his record-breaking 48-point performance of two days previous could have possibly summed up the entire game, but actually everyone seemed off stride in the first half, with the possible exception of Sonny Lockitski, who had ten points at halftime. In the first period the Lancers jumped ahead 11-7, as only two of sixteen shots found the mark, while the usually inaccurate Lancers fired in nearly 50 per cent of their shots. However, a gradual rally on the part of the Raiders, spearheaded by Lockitski's eight points and six by Doucleff, overhauled the visitors. The intermission came with W.M.A. out in front, 24-19.

Raiders Get Started

In the third period the Raiders outscored the Lancers, 14-10, and continued to open up the lead as the game wore on. The Lutheran team, having allowed Douceff only six points in the first half, held him scoreless in the third stanza with a four-man zone defense, with the fifth man following Doucleff all over the court. This defense was quite effective, as Karl managed only twelve shots all evening, which is far below his average. Playing man-to-man on Doucleff, and doing a creditable job, was Allan Keller. Keller scored six points on offense, which is nothing spectacular, but the game was probably the best Keller had ever played.

The Raiders were led, for the first

Records Smashed By Western Track Athletes As They Win A. B. C. Medal Meet At Taylor Field In St. Louis

Fuchs, Stevens, Frazer Assault Old Marks And Lead Team To Victory

By Bruce Campbell

Captain McLain's boys again showed that they were the best track team in the A. B. C. League as they captured the Medal Meet Saturday at Taylor Field with 67 points over their nearest competitor, John Burroughs, who scored 35½ points. Country Day had 21½ points and Principia 19. The cadets have not been defeated in any meet this year.

The highlights of the meet for Western were the breaking of one A. B. C. record, the tying of one, and the breaking of one Western record. Bob Fuchs threw the shot 47 ft., 6 in., to beat the old conference record set by Alt of Principia several years ago, which was 46 ft., 8½ in. Fuchs missed tying the discus record by one inch. Asa Stevens burnt up the track as he tied the record of :22.5 set by Van Velzer of Principia for the 220-yard dash. Bob Frazer ran the low hurdles in :23.1 to beat the old Western record set by Fowler in 1936 of :23.7. He also made a gallant attempt to break the record in the pole vault, as he easily cleared 11 ft., 4 in., but was unable to jump three inches higher, although his second jump was very close.

High Scores

Bob Frazer of Western was the high-point man of the entire meet, winning four firsts in high and low hurdles, broad jump, and pole vault to gain twenty points, raising his year's total to 124½ points for six meets. For Western, Asa Stevens was second with 11¼ points; Bob Fuchs had 10, Houston 6, and Walling 5.

The men who ran in this meet qualified at the preliminaries also at Taylor Feld on Thursday afternoon.

Western took an early lead, as Bob Frazer won the high hurdles, and increased it, as Asa Stevens won the 100-yard dash with Joe Dugan placing fourth.

However, the cadets dropped behind, as they failed to take a place in the mile run and Burroughs added nine points. Potter of Burroughs took an early lead and maintained it throughout the race, as Thornton and Wrisley were unable to place.

Again the score changed as Western took the lead to maintain it for a photo finish. Western was the winner with Country Day second, Burroughs third, and Principia fourth.

Thus ended another successful day for the Western thinclads, as they captured the A. B. C. meet with the same score of 67 points as they had won it with last year.

Summary

120-yd. high hurdles—1st, Frazer (W); 2nd, Clarahan (B); 3rd, Clark (C); 4th, Moore (P). Time :16.2.

100-yd. dash—1st, Stevens (W); 2nd, Barksdale (C); 3rd, Watkins (P); 4th, Dugan (W). Time :10.2.

Mile run—1st, Potter (B); 2nd, Bennet (B); 3rd, Smith (P); 4th, Alexander (B). Time 4:55.5.

440-yd. dash—1st, Scott (B); 2nd, McCulloch (B); 3rd, Walling (W); 4th, Wachter (P). Time :53.9.

200-yd. low hurdles—1st, Frazer (W); 2nd, Clark (C); 3rd, Breckenridge (C); 4th, Appleston (P). Time :34.1. (New school record, beating Fowler's mark of :23.7 set in 1936).

220-yd. dash—1st, Stevens (W); 2nd, Barksdale (C); 3rd, [illegible]

Netmen Look Good Against Codasco

Traveling to Country Day on Wednesday, May 15, the Western tennis team lost a very close match to their opponents, 3-2, while the J. V. team gained a tie, 4-4.

The players were in high spirits over the results, for this was the closest that Codasco has been held in several years. All of the cadet men played very well and were in fine condition.

Capt. Aller has hopes that the netmen can defeat Principia here in the last match of the season.

Three more courts have been cleared and are now available, in addition to the six courts already in use.

CADETS AT OPERA

Several cadets enjoyed attending the Metropolitan Grand Opera in St. Louis May 14 and 15. a group of Seniors attended "Carmen" with Capt. Nachtmann Tuesday night, and Capt. Schaff took five cadets to hear "Rigoletto" Wednesday night. All cadets who attended agreed that it was a fine performance.

Alton Track Team Beaten By Western In Dual Meet, 73-40

Bob Fuchs Sets New Record In Discus With Heave Of 134 Feet, 2 Inches

By Bruce Campbell

Last Wednesday, the Western thinclads were hosts to the Alton track team at Eaton Field, where the Redbirds were defeated by a score of 73-40. The day was cloudy and humid, as the two teams came on to the track with Western not having its leading scorer, Bob Frazer, as he was with the baseball team in St. Louis.

One of the outstanding features of the meet was the breaking of the discus record by Bob Fuchs. He broke his second record of the year (he broke the shot put record against Country Day) by hurling the discus 134 ft., 2 in. to smash the mark set by Scroggins in 1941 of 132 ft., 5 in.

Things looked bad for the cadets as Alton began by taking an 8-1 lead, as Prior finished only third in the high hurdles. However, in the next race, the 100-yard dash, Stevens raised the hopes of the home team by winning the race in :10.5 with Dugan fighting a tough finish for third.

Alton Takes Lead

Alton continued to increase their lead by winning first and second in the mile, as Thornton, putting on his customary sprint in the last stretch, was unable to pass the opposing Negro ruuner, Conley.

Again the Western thinclads made an attempt to cut down the opposing score as Dick Walling captured the 440-yard dash. He was hemmed in at the start and was unable to pass until the first turn, when he soared ahead, with Conner passing on the home stretch in a tough battle for third.

Tom Farish entered another event besides his usual high and broad jump and captured second in the low hurdles while Brown finished third.

By this time, the shot put had been completed and the returns showed that Bob Fuchs had won, with Bill Houston and Tiny Eyermann finishing in that order to tie the score of the meet at 27 points apiece.

Asa Stevens then won the 220-yd. dash in :23.8, with Paul Braner galloping in to take second and Western went ahead by seven points. The cadets were never headed.

The 880-yard run brought another victory for Dick Walling, as Joe

Jack Dempsey Pays Visit To Western And Reviews Corps

Former Heavyweight Champ Is Made Honorary Member Of "W" Club Of Western

By Jay Heyman

Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight boxing champ of the world, visited Western last week with his friend, Mr. G. G. Bradford of St. Louis, father of freshman Chuck Bradford.

A parade was staged for the "Manassa Mauler" and he was made an honorary member of the "W" Club, which he appreciated very much.

Reviews Cadet Corps

Dempsey arrived on Tuesday, May 10, at 11:00 A. M. He held a short recorded interview for Station WOKZ in the school parlors, met the heads of the school and a cadet welcoming committee, and posed for pictures.

The champ then reviewed the corps from the lower field and met the battalion staff. The corps in battle jackets and white gloves was very snappy, and Dempsey said he hadn't seen many comparable units during his war service. An ex-commander in the Navy, he saluted smartly as the colors passed. He shook hands with many cadets, instructors, and townspeople present. Everyone was impressed by the friendliness of this big man. He had to hurry back for a radio program in St. Louis.

"W" Club Citation

Cadet Harry Chalfant in bestowing honorary "W" Club membership upon Dempsey read the following tribute:

"This is a day of special privilege for every cadet at Western. Commander, I say privilege because during the course of a cadet year we have many opportunities to meet outstanding American leaders. We meet the generals, the admirals, the business men, and the "big shots" in every field; but today you are just a little different, because you are just a "regular guy". Many of us can't look back to the time when you were wearing the crown of the Heavyweight Champion of the World, but we have heard about you. You know, there was only one Babe Ruth, one Lou Gehrig, and for our money, there is only one World's Champion Boxer, — Jack

SCOTT EVERHART, 1940, ATTRACTS ATTENTION ON ILLINOIS CAGE SQUAD

Mr. Joe Arndt, sports writer, had an article in his column, "The Brawn Patrol," in a Champaign, Illinois, newspaper recently about Scott Everhart, class '40 of Western. Everhart, who was a star basket ball player here last year and was chosen on the All-District Team, has attracted attention at the University of Illinois.

Mr. Arndt says:

"Illinois basket ball fans who remember colorful, diminutive Joe Frank may see a reasonable facsimile of him on the Illini squad next season in the person of Scott Everhart.

"Everhart, who says he's 5 feet, 6 inches tall but doesn't quite look it, weighs 135 pounds and came up from the frosh tournament in which he was third high scorer with 32 points to join the freshman-Varsity in Huff gym.

"He's easily the smallest man we've ever seen on a college basket ball floor, but makes up for his lack of stature with trickiness and clever shots. A southpaw, he shoots equally well with either hand.

"Everhart did all right for himself last year playing with Western Military academy of Alton, being picked on the St. Louis all-district prep team. 'I've had plenty of experience at Toledo, Ill., high school and at Western, but I can't pick up any weight,' Everhart said.

"Not as fast or as big as Frank, Everhart would undoubtedly be a crowd-pleaser. If he can prove himself as a spot player, he might see some service with the Illini come next season."

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Miss Gotthardt, school nurse, is an ardent fan. She said, "I'm thrilled at the victory, but, most of all, I'm glad nobody was hurt." She always thinks of that.

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We note that Charlie Grimm (father of Cadet Grimm) has a new five-year contract to mange the Chicago Cubs. Mr. Grimm is not only a great manager but also one of the best-loved men in baseball. His sense of humor, his sportsmanship, and his friendliness have won hosts of friends, yet he plays to win and does win his share of the titles. He shows that baseball with him is a game of fun as well as business.

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BOB BARKER, 1943, IS DIVING SENSATION AT U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY

Good old Bob Barker, Cadet Major and Honor Graduate of 1943, has run up an impressive string of victories in diving for the U. S. Naval Academy. Bob never lost a diving match during his four years on the Western swimming team.

Now at Annapolis, Midshipman Barker has won 8 firsts this winter in 9 contests, and he finished second in the event that he lost. He recently won the diving event against West Point with 93.83 points, the highest compiled in the West Point pool this winter.

Bob has defeated Swathmore, U. of Pennsylvania, U. of North Carolina, Columbia, Princeton, Duke University, Army, and Bainbridge Naval Training Center.

Barker's home is at 725 S. Skinker, St. Louis. In addition to being a diving champ at Western, he won many

Dan Freeman Sets New Harrier Record

By Ellison

Dan Freeman, Western's ace cross country runner, set a new record for the W.M.A. course of 1.6 miles with a time of 8:48.9 as he came in first in a meet with Wood River here on October 17. However, the Oilers were the winners, 22-34. The old record was set last year by John Hinderlite, 8:50.

The first ten finishers were, as follows: 1. Freeman, WMA; 2. Nelson, WR; 3. Dykus, WR; 4. Brown, WR; 5. Mellor, WR; 6. Bird, WMA; 7. Points, WMA; 8. Barbour, WR; 9. Ransel, WMA; 10. Schmidt, WR.

In the J.V. meet Wood River won, 20-45, but Western's Bill Frame was first in 9:57. Out of the other nine finishers, all were Wood River men except Fulk, who came in 8th. Other W.M.A. runners were Marrs, Coleman, Wallis, Avenatti, Waltz, Clotfelter, and Flynn.

Jerseyville Wins

In Jerseyville on October 23, the cadet harriers were badly beaten by a strong Jerseyville team, 18-45. Jewsberry and Klein were one-two for Jerseyville, and Freeman of Western was third. Six Jerseyville runners came next, with Bird of Western in 9th place. Ingersoll, Ransel, and Frame of W.M.A. finished in that order. In addition to the runners in the Wood River meet, Devoy and Nelson ran for Western.

Codasco Meet

Last Saturday at Country Day, Western was edged out by three points in one of the closest meets of the year, 26-29. Hirsch of Codasco was first in 9:09.5. Freeman of W.M.A. was second in 9:29. Then came Bates of Codasco in 3rd place, Bird (W) 4th, Cutler (C) 5th, Ransel (W) 6th, Points (W) 7th, Widell (C) 8th, Wilson (C) 9th, and Ingersoll (W) 10th.

Other Western runners: Winslow, Frame, Nelson, Wallis, Fulk, Coleman, Avenatti, Marrs, Walz, Clotfelter, Flynn.

The varsity record is now 3-8 and the Jayvees 1-2.

Gouin And Prime Break Western Track Records In ABC Preliminaries

By Kinney

Western thinclads led all qualifiers in the ABC preliminaries last week, qualifying 20 contestants to 14 from Principia, 9 from Country Day, 7 from Burroughs, and 3 from Lutheran South.

Two events, the high jump and the pole vault, were finals. Terry Joy won the pole vault for W.M.A. with 11 feet, and Don Maddock gained a surprise tie for second. After Don Martin had failed, Mike Prime tied for first in the high jump with a supreme effort at 5 ft. 7 in. The Raiders had 11½ points and Principia 6½ when the prelims were over.

Two New Records

Bud Gouin in winning the 220-yard dash set a new time of 22.2 sec., to break the old record held of 22.4 set by Merchant back in 1917. Mike Prime broke the tape in 21.2 in the 180-yard low hurdles to best Sigwart's time of 21.4 made in 1957.

Finals

High jump — Prime, WMA, and D. Mitchell, Prin, tied for first; Schoening, JB, third; Millan, WMA, and Prowell, Prin, tied for fourth. Height 5 ft. 7 in.

Pole vault — Won by Joy, WMA; Rogers, JB; Knight, Prin, and Maddock, WMA, tied for second. Height—11 feet.

Qualifiers

Discus — Keller, LS; Elson, CD; Engle and Brick, WMA; J. Mitchell and Menninger, Prin. Best distance by Keller—125 feet 7½ inches.

Shot put — Brick, Katz and Guada, WMA; Allman, CD; Dunn, Prin; Keller, LS. Best distance by Brick —47 feet, ½ inch.

Broad jump — Gouin, Prime and Bernhard, WMA; Hoffman and Hancock, Prin; Cranston, JB. Best distance by Gouin—19 feet, 4 inches.

120-yard high hurdles — Prowell, Pierce and Gans, Prin; Griffin and J. Mitchell, CD; Prime, WMA. Best time by Mitchell — :16.2.

100-yard dash — Frielingsdorf, Riggs and Berkley, JB; Gouin and Al-

Ray Ellinwood To Quit Athletics For Study In Lone Hut

Former Cadet, Who Holds World Records, Will Drop Career At Its Peak

This week Ray Ellinwood, former Western cadet and sensational University of Chicago track flash, left behind him all the honors and excitement of a Big Ten champion's life for three years of study in a small cabin a few miles north of Pasadena, California. This period will be spent in intensive study of philosophy with an Alpha Delta Phi brother. This decision on the part ofthe former Western cadet astonished authorities of the track and scholastic world as well as his many friends.

Ellinwood visited Western, his Alma Mater, on his journey to Pasadena with Leonard Olsen, of Zumbrata, Minnesota. A talk with members of the faculty was enough to convince his high school instructors that this was no everyday occurrence. He and Olsen spent the night in the Faculty Club and proceeded on their way the next morning in a small automobile.

He Began At Western

Ellinwood began his sparkling athletic life at Western by winning and holding thirteen track records in and around St. Louis. After his graduation in 1933, he enrolled at Chicago University, where he became famous. Last year the tall, slim star set a new indoor world record in the quarter mile run, lowered it in the Big Ten meet, set a new mark in the Big Ten outdoor 440, and was elected captain of the University of Chicago track team for this year. During his two years at Chicago, Ray attended only a few of his classes, but ranked with the highest scholars. He wrote many articles on philosophy for the school publications and tutored many of his class-mates in his favorite subject. In spite of the distinction he has earned on the cinder track, this interest was playing a poor second to philosophy, so Ray has given up the former to devote three years to study.

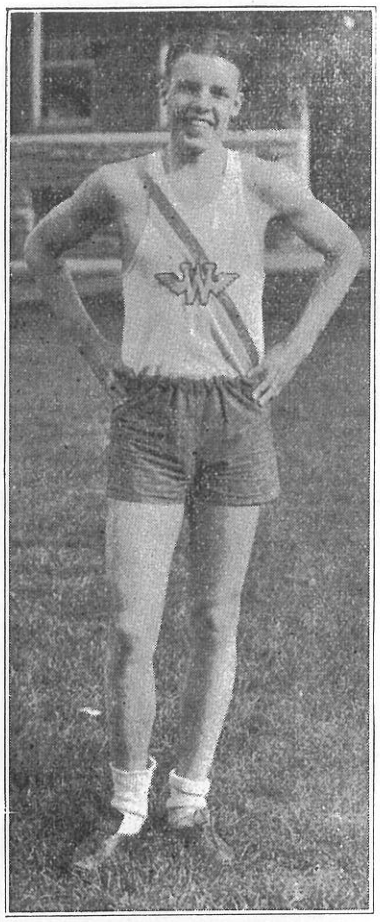
Will Study In Cabin

The former cadet announces that when they have settled in their cabin they will work particularly on the writings of St. Thomas of Acquinas, taking up Plato and Aristotle as a side line. He has made arrangements with Dr. Robert A. Milliken of the California Institute of Technology to receive plenty of reference books during his hermitage. He will keep in touch with the University officials and receive his Ph. D. degree.

It is so unusual for a college athlete of world-wide fame such as Ellinwood to turn his back upon the plaudits of the crowd and the thrill of the spot-light for the quieter pursuits of learning that his action attracted attention in many metropolitan newspapers. Ellinwood was at the peak of his career. Yet, with another serious-minded youth, he plans to bury himself in a small California cabin for several years, living an existence almost hermit-like in severity, while he reads philosophy. He wants to be where his studies will not be disturbed by outside influences. His decision reflects a courage of his convictions.

High Scholastic Ideal

Ellinwood, who has always had a high regard for his prep school, Western, naturally stopped by to see his former instructors, and Col. Jackson and Coach Droste especially. It was impossible to doubt the sincerity of his purpose. In fact, the smiling,



RAY ELLINWOOD
As a Western Cadet

Charles Robertson, Class Of '13, Dies

Colonel Jackson Recalls His Career As Athlete And Soldier

Col. Jackson recently received the sad news of the death of C. V. Robertson, W. M. A. 1913, whose home was in Carlinville, Ill.

Col. Jackson had cause to remember Charlie Robertson. The Colonel coached the track team at Western in 1913 when Robertson set a new record for the mile of 4 min., 42 sec. That mark stood until 1933, when Ray Ellinwood lowered it. Ellinwood later set a world record at college for the quarter-mile.

Col. Jackson recalls that on that same 1913 track team at Western was another speedster, Leonard Merchant, who established new school records in the 100 and 220 dashes. He went on to national fame by defeating two great sprinters, Loomis and Landers of Oregon, Ill.

Charlie Robertson after graduating from Western attended the University of Illinois and was a lieutenant in World War I. Col. Jackson said that few cadets have ever heard of the mutiny of a negro cavalry regiment, which occurred in Brownsville, Texas, in 1918. Sventeen of the negro mutineers were convicted and sentenced to death. Lieut. Charles Robertson was in charge of these prisoners before their execution. Feeling ran high, and several times an attempt was made to assassinate Lieut. Robertson and to release his prisoners.

Col. Jackson said that it is interesting to learn that of the fine athletes developed at Western through the past years, none was more highly honored than Charlie Robertson.

LET'S KEEP THE W. M. A.—PRIN LANCE

Principia High of St. Louis will invade Western Saturday and five athletic contests will be staged between the two schools. No wonder it will be "Prin Day." The "A," "B," "C," and "D" basket ball teams will meet, and also the two swimming teams. Princicpia usually brings a good crowd of rooters.

The rivalry between Principia and Western is of long standing, and cadets here always consider Prin teams among their most worthy and sportsmanlike opponents. Years ago the W. M. A.—Principia lance was put up as a trophy. Whichever school wins can keep the lance until the next meeting of the schools. That lance stands today on the platform of Western's assembly room. It is a symbol of many fine battles between the schools. If Principia wins Saturday, the lance will go back to St. Louis.

The contests Saturday count points, as follows: swimming 250, "A" basket ball 250, "B" 200, "C" 150, "D" 100. So every game will count.

Principia is the kind of opponent that Western respects. Fine traditions surround their long athletic relationship. Let's give Prin a hearty welcome Saturday—but let's keep the lance!

Saturday Selected As Principia Day In Sports At Western

On this Saturday the basket ball, soccer, and swimming teams from The Principia of St. Louis will arrive at Western for the annual Principia Day. This occasion was prompted by a marked feeling of sportsmanship and friendly enmity between the two institutions several years ago. The purpose was to maintain a spirit of lively competition in all fields of sport in which the two schools engage.

To keep up this feeling the two athletic departments prepared a blue and yellow standard, or banner, which would be retained by the team victorious in each year's tourney. The flag would or would not change hands each year as the case may be. The Western squads, however, have managed to hold possession of the honor since the event was originated. This is a good record, but each coming year may bring on the shift.

Regardless of which school is on top, the competition should always serve its prupose as a reminder of the excellent competition of the past and as a goal for rewarding future triumphs.

BLAZE IN BUS MOTOR

When the wrestling team went to Belleville last week, a fire broke out in the motor of the school bus just as the team arrived at its destination.

The fire department arrived and extinguished the blaze. However, the motor was damaged enough so that another bus had to be chartered by Lieut. Weber to bring the cadets back to Alton.

BADMINTON STARTS AS POPULAR SPORT

Badminton as a sport has started under the supervision of Capt. McKinney. Some cadets are already having practice matches on the courts in the upper gym during the afternoons.

Cadets do not have to furnish their own racquets, but they must have their own birdies. Some of the players include Bobbish, Bierman, Ratcliff, Marty, Schroeter, and Smith, A.

Capt. McKinney says that badminton is a cool-weather sport. It can be strenuous. He may schedule some games with other shcools.

Robin Hoods, Attention!

New equipment has arrived for archery. Under the supervision of Capt. and and Mrs. Bowman, the Robin Hoods had a very successful first meeting last week. Several cadets gathered on the south side of the campus behind the formal graden, where they practiced on the new archery range at a distance of from 35 to 75 yards. There is also a new target equipped for all kinds of archery.

Capt. and Mrs. Bowman cordially invite those interested in archery, and they promise loads of fun. Archery golf is planned later on whhen the cadets get more proficient and if they become good enough, they may have a match with Monticello. The group meets daily after drill when the weather is clear.

—By Rivera

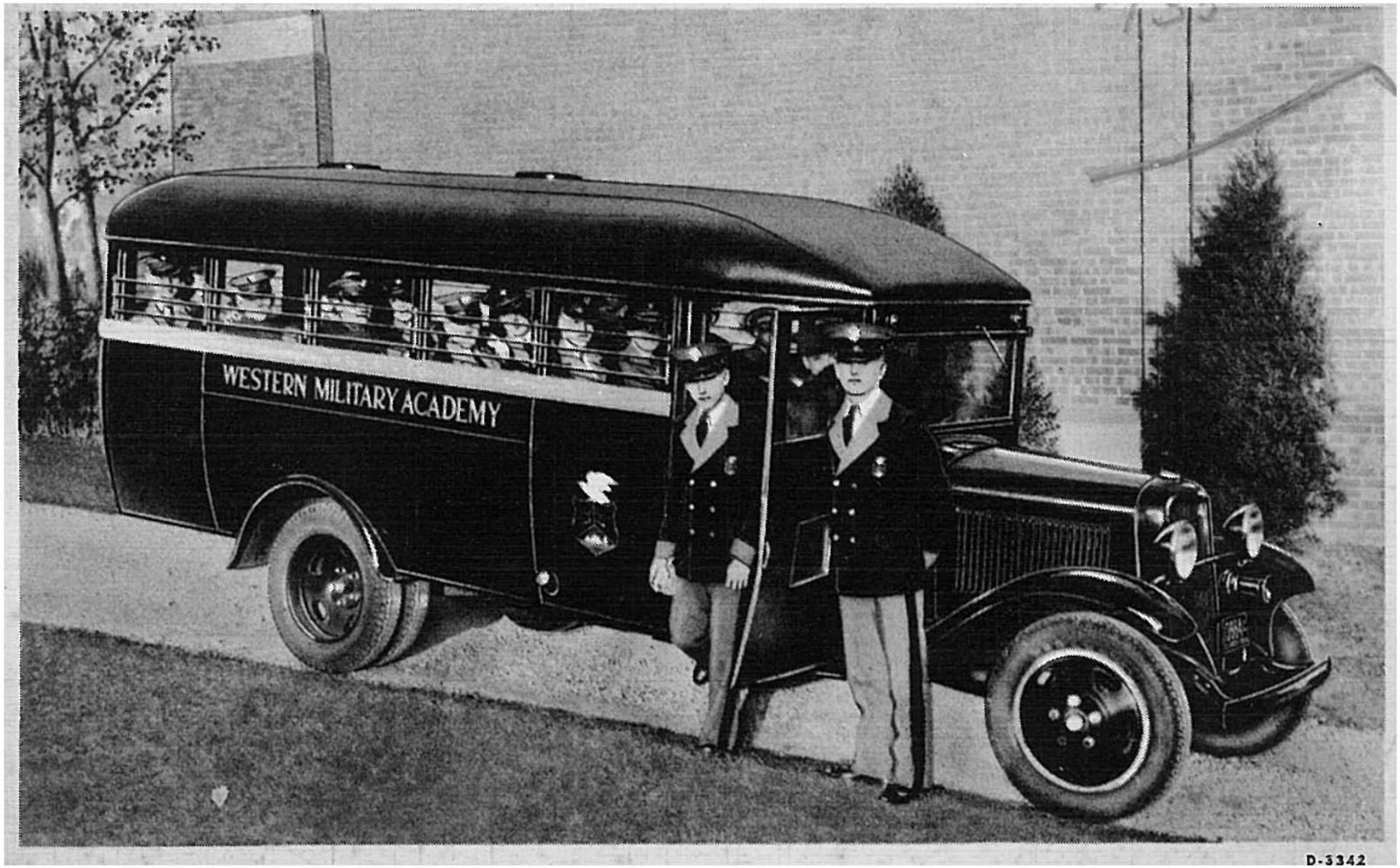
MONTICELLO

Western is fortunate in having a girls' college like Monticello situated so close to our school. We are deeply appreciative of what they add to our life. This year both schools have cooperated in having many delightful social affairs together. "Monty" always has a group of attractive girls who are ready to contribute charm and pleasure to any event.

This fall, students of both schools have attended the large dances given at Monticello or at Western. They went on the boat trip together. The "Monty" girls have been present at all Saturday night informal dances, making them more successful than ever before. A new practice this year has permitted cadets to invite some of the young ladies to Western to dinner, and Monticello has reciprocated. When the two schools have similar activities, such as swimming and horseback riding, the members of both groups often get together. And we have often been encouraged by seeing our attractive neighbors at football games and dress parades.

Old grads tell us that such pleasant relations did not always exist. In the old days, Monticello was something only to be talked about. The girls never attended dances, social events, or boat trips with the cadets. The only time cadets saw the young ladies was at very formal receptions or teas at the college, when everyone sat around very erect and ill-at-ease. Thank heavens! that is changed. Now Monticello has won the reputation of giving delightful and well appointed social affairs.

We hope that these enjoyable events may continue, and that nothing may mar the relationships which officials and students of both institutions have established. Here's to Monticello's future success and happiness—for, in a way, their's is identified with ours!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Washburn, Alice Waterhouse and Joan Craine, Shoop.

Pallo and Jackie Stein

Bork and Miss Schneiderman

Redman and Marilyn Wheeler

DRESSED UP AND SOME PLACE TO GO!

Right - - Co-Chairman Baker and Wilkinson confer with Mrs. Green, social director.

Schmidt and Virginia Gedda, Lyngar and Bobbie Johnson

Estes focuses smile upon Vera Enos

Grinnell and Eleanor Dahlen, Lerner and Ruth Wise

ALL THIS, AND MONTI, TOO?

Christmas formal at Monticello College.

Valentine Dance at Monti.

Norma Hinkson, Ureta, Carolyn Amos, Mary Ann Williams and Short sample punch.

Hazel, Stickley, and Bradford swing and sway at Monti.

Grand march ends at formal dance.

Gintz, Heinermann beneath the hearts.

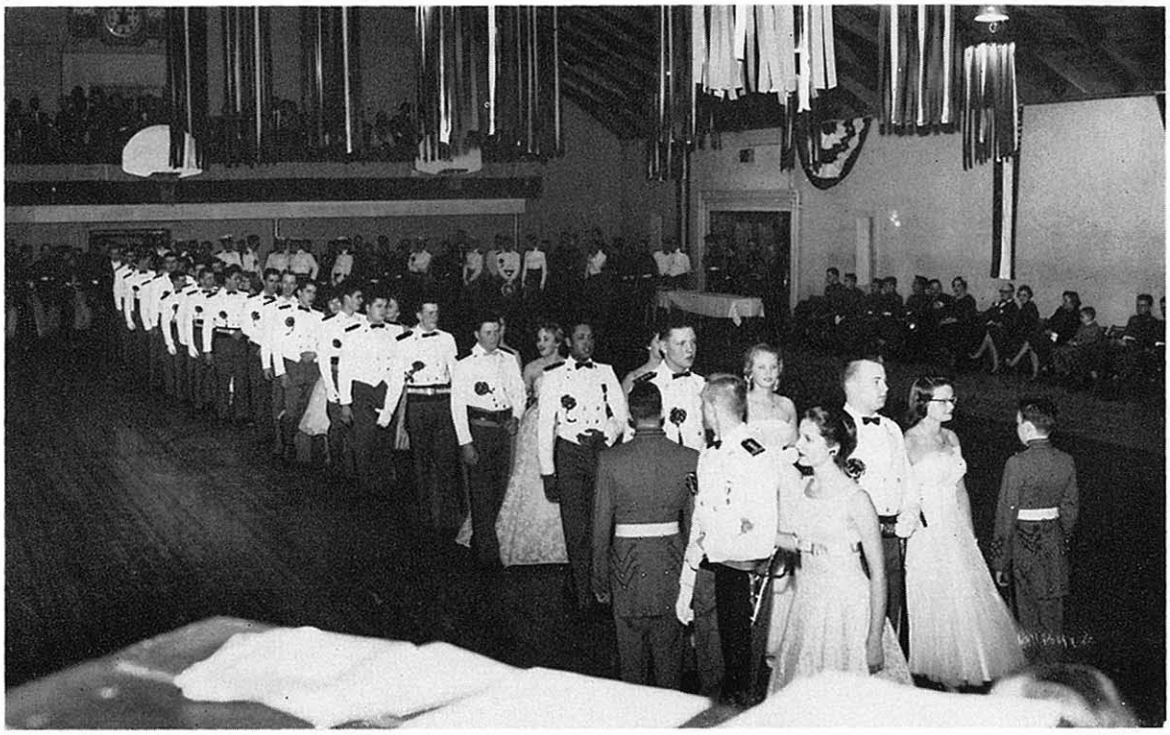
Bill Lemon and band at Geo. Washington formal.

Mr. Heitman and assistant at dancing classes.

Dreamy Bob Dollus.

Hazel and Faulkner with cuties at Thanksgiving Dance.

THE MILITARY HOP OF THE WINTER SEASON



"The Grand March"

"Loveliness Enthroned – Queen Gail"

Sgt. Pratt
Capt. Scott

Nan Hartman

Queen Gail Goodson

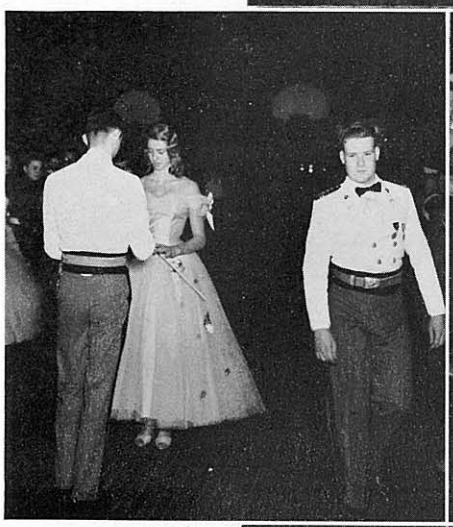
Maids of Honor

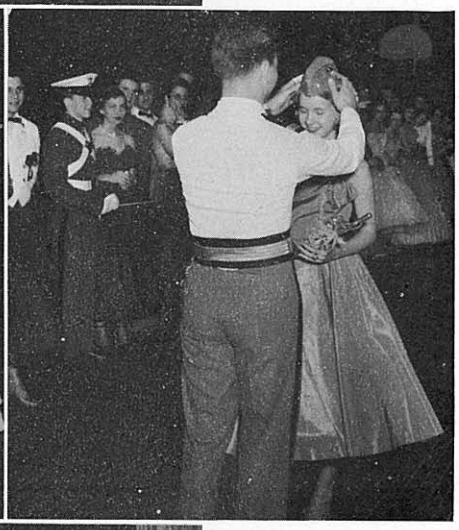
Lt. Bloome

Dee Dee McFadden

Monticello, the home of beautiful women. Many times during the year cadets visit there for social events. Here are a few shots of doings at Monti. Mrs. Green and Mrs. Duree, the heads of the two social departments; A happy group at the Cabin, favorite encampment at Monti; John Weber and date discuss the events with Bill Green; May I have this dance? Kaltwasser, Lowe, Dain and their dates; Berry Conner talks it over with Sue Ann under the entrance sign; Lowe tries a long shot as Beardslee looks on; Party at the smoke house, Kaltwasser, Dodge, Conner and their dates; Goodwin, Beardslee, Dain; all have a story to tell; Dain cuts a rug; Wrong number for Kaltwasser and Wolfson; Sue Ann plays the piano as Berry looks on.

CORONATION CEREMONIES

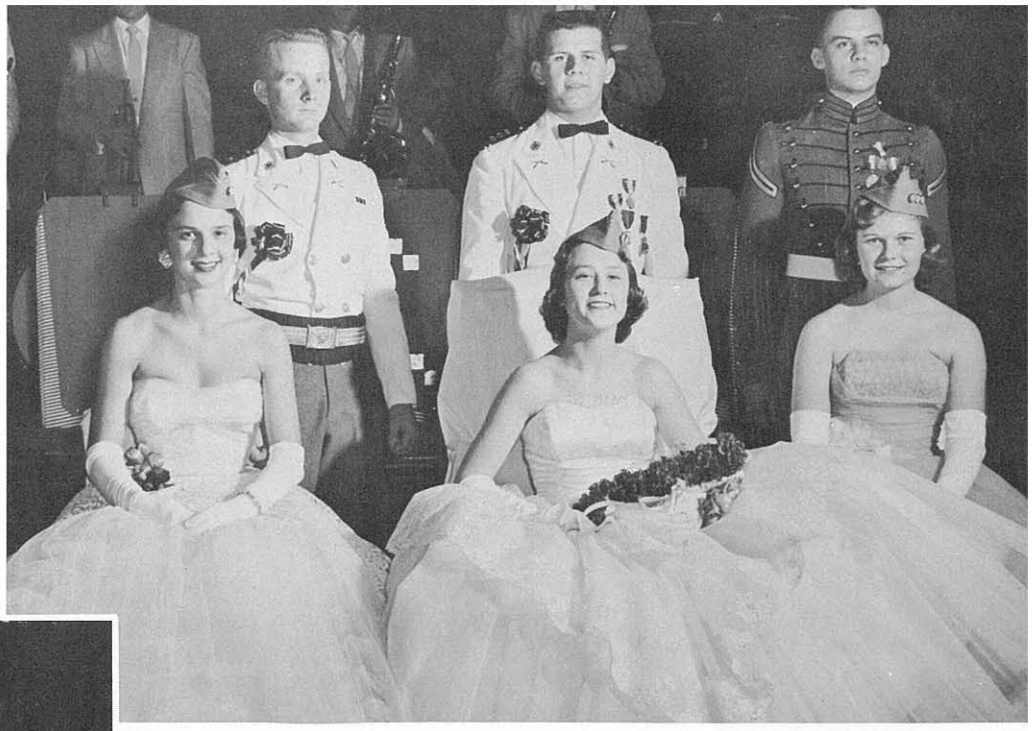




Top—Silverman, Jansky, Gilbert wait to welcome the Queen.

Middle—1. Gilbert makes presentation to Pat Lackey, as escort, Bell, leaves. 2. Jansky gives Anne Barlow her staff and cap. 3. Silverman crowns Queen Lurleen Gobble.

Bottom—Pat Lackey, Maid of Honor, Lurleen Gobble, Queen, and Anne Barlow, Maid of Honor, get applause. Announcer Koch, R. is on the stage.



One of the biggest and most colorful dances of the year was the Military Ball. At that time three pretty Monticello College girls were made Queen and Maids of Honor by a vote of the cadets.

ABOVE, LEFT TO RIGHT: Miss Judy Harvey, Maid of Honor, Miss Nancy Scott, Queen, Miss Nancy Sims, Maid of Honor. Behind them are escorts, 2nd Lieut. Parker, Capt. Gruwell, and S.F.C. Keith.

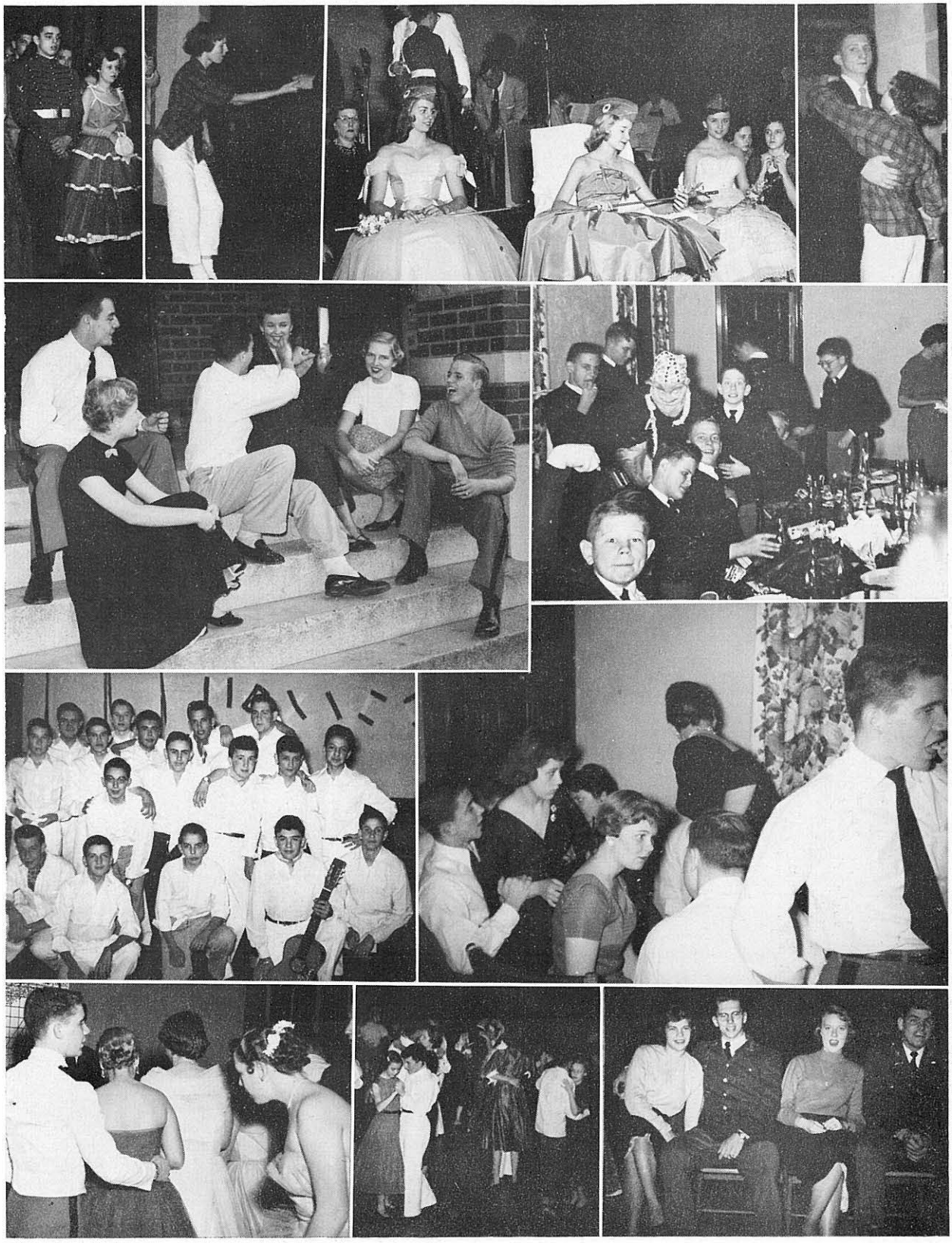
LEFT: Gruwell escorts Queen Nancy Scott to the throne.

BELOW: Cadet officers and their dates lead the grand march at the Military Ball.

At this brilliant dance, with fanfare and pageantry, the three girls above were also made honorary cadet officers, a colonel and two captains. Military medals were awarded, and the cadets exhibited and explained military displays.

THE MILITARY BALL

PARTIES, DATES, DANCES



Bottom—1. Girls see military exhibits at annual dance. 2. Mex-dance, a gay affair. 3. Miller and Myers turn on the charm.

Second Row—1. Cast of All-Mexican Play. 2. Yoder enjoys food at informal canteen dance.

Third Row—1. Allen, Nudelman, J., Jansky with gals any Sunday afternoon. 2. Lower School Christmas party, with Mayfield's grin in the foreground.

Top—1. Vesci and date. 2. Dig that crazy step. 3. Queen and Maids pose for pix. 4. Lt. Lamb steps out at Monti.

ACTIVITIES

"A Gentleman"

"It is almost a definition of a gentleman to say he is one who never inflicts pain." — Cardinal Newman

Cadets, Girls, And Music — Synonyms For Gaiety, Fun, And Laughter

RICHARD VANCE
RICHARD ENGLAND
Co-Editors

TODAY

GRAND MARCH AT MILITARY BALL

ACTIVITIES

FUN AT A FORMAL

1. Listening to the melodies of Carl La Rue.
2. It's fun to sit some out!
3. The push at the punch bowl.

1. Swingin' in the groove.
2. Don't run, Frazer!
3. Beauty pauses for repairs—in the Powder Room.

TOPS IN SOCIETY

Clarke
Co-Chairman
Senior Dance
Committee
and
Miss Louise
Wright

Jensen
Master of
Ceremonies
and
Miss Dee
Hey

Walling
Co-Chairman of Senior
Dance Committee
and Miss Barbara Taylor

Crowd watches Novelty Numbers by Sonny Lefholz at Formal Dance.

MONTICELLO

"STRICTLY FROM HUNGER"

Those merry, maddening Monti girls at Godfrey were charming hostesses at some of the most delightful social events of the entire year.

Smile, please, before the fountain overflows.

Jo and Trow

From the cabin.....

.....To the smokehouse

(Fluetsch and Taylor, Dentler and Gutfreund)

(Hubeli-Maybre, Baker-Griffith, Campbell-McElroy)

Informal dance at Monti

Angels, but they eat and drink

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ONE OF THESE LOVELIES WILL BE OUR QUEEN

Margaret Hargreaves

Pat Pierson

Lynn Gardiner

75th Anniversary Year

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MISS NOTTINGHAM

MISS OLIVER

MISS HAUSAM

WESTERN'S FOOTBALL QUEEN will be announced as one of the three pretty Monticello girls pictured above, Donna Nottingham, Genia, Colo., Anne Oliver, Watseka, Ill., and Rochelle Hausam, Tulsa, Okla. Others will be maids of honor. The coronation will be at the dance Saturday night.

—Courtesy Alton, Evening Telegraph

Football Queen Will Be Announced At Thanksgiving Dance

Election Results Kept Secret; Queen Will Be Monti Girl; Dance To Be Brilliant Event

By Hooser

The Thanksgiving Dance, which will be held next Saturday evening in the field house in honor of the football teams, will have new and unusual features.

One outstanding event will be the announcement and coronation of Western's "Football Queen". Following suggestions in the suggestion box, Col. R. B. Jackson was glad to go along with the idea.

Three Monticello Girls

Mrs. Green, social director, received the names of three attractive Monticello College girls nominated by their classmates in the "Prep" department. They were Misses Donna Nottingham, Rochelle Hausam, and Anne Oliver.

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ONE OF THESE BEAUTIES WILL BE QUEEN OF THE BALL

Anne Barlow
Crestline, Ohio

Pat Lackey
Paducah, Kentucky

Lurleen Gobble
Watseka, Illinois

Next Saturday evening at the annual Military Ball, one of these Monticello girls will be crowned Queen of the Ball, and will become an honorary cadet major. The other two will be Maids of Honor and will be honorary cadet captains.

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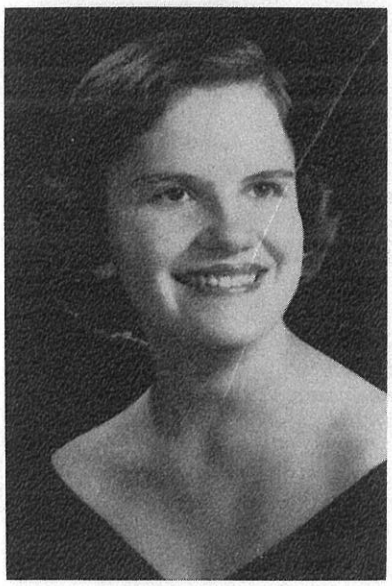
MISS JANE CARTER

MISS JUDY MARTIN



MISS DEE LYLE

MISS MAGGIE HARGREAVES

Queen Of Military Ball To Be Named From One Of Four Lovely Girls, Feb. 20

Monti Girls Give Enjoyable Xmas Dance On Saturday

By Jim Dickinson

On a crisp, wintry December 14, a group of cadets attended a Christmas dance at Monticello in the Monti log cabin. About half frozen before arriving, the cadets enjoyed the inviting warmth inside.

After the girls came in, "The Panics", a band from Alton, started playing. Several couples danced, while the rest talked and opened gifts. "The Panics" turned out to be really great. They could play almost any type of music, but the popular demand was for fast tunes.

The cabin was decorated in red and white crepe paper with boughs of long-needle pine. Now and then a couple danced under a sprig of mistletoe and, of course, observed the old kissing tradition.

Later refreshments of cokes and Christmas cookies were served. Everything was deilcious. While the band took a break, old favorite records on the juke box brought everyone out on the dance floor.

One of the highlights of the evening was a dance called "the bug," started by Wes Friedman. The idea was that when you got the bug, you shook until you found it and then threw it to someone in the crowd. That person would have to get in the center with the rest of the gang and shake to the music until he threw it to someone else.

Finally, the evening came to a close. After warm goodbyes were said in the cold night air, the cadets returned to Western, and all agreed that it was the best dance of the year.

MONTICELLO OPENS AT GODFREY, ILL.

By Rohde

Monticello College and Preparatory School at Godfrey, Ill., re-opened on September 6 with a large enrollment of old and new girls. Classes began on September 10. A new hall is being constructed. Western cadets are especially interested in the "Prep" girls, as they have many pleasant social events together.

Cadets See Opera At Monticello

By Byczynski

It was a cold evening on January 15 as ten cadets went over to the brightly lighted Hathaway Hall at Monticello College. They were Hink, W., Gillam, Fandrei, Blades, Breuer, Byczynski, Stratman, Salter, and Glendening. For some it was the first time they had seen this new auditorium, and they were amazed at the expensive equipment of the gymnasium and the pool. Though the night was cold, the warmth of the building and the company of the girls made the evening pleasant to all.

The performance by the St. Louis Grand Opera Guild, made up of semi-professional singers, was "The Crucible." It was very interesting, as it depicted life in early New England and the fear of witchcraft. All who went spent an enjoyable evening.

Girls At Dancing Classes And Movie

Mrs. Green has a new system for dancing classes this year, and it has proved to be popular. The classes are held on Saturdays after evening mess. Girls attend as partners for the cadets, and afterwards they attend the movie in the Chapel with the cadets.

Last Saturday about forty-five girls were present for the dancing classes. Mr. Henri Heitman of St. Louis was greeted by two large groups of cadets for beginners' and advanced classes. He gave his usual interesting instruction in the field house.

Afterwards, most of the girls stayed for the picture show in the Chapel.

Sadie Hawkins Dance Is Given By Monti Girls

By Jim Dickinson

As cadets attending the Sadie Hawkins dance at Monticello College on the night of November 9 unloaded from the bus, they wondered how the evening was going to be. It turned out to be delightful, as an air of fun and informality unvailed.

Most of the cadets wore white levis and sweaters, while the girls were attractive in sweat shirts and cut-off blue jeans. The boys walked to the respective houses of the girls to meet their dates and escorted them to the barn, where the dance was to be held.

The long walk to the barn was shortened by conversation such as "How are you?" and "Anything can happen tonight." The inside of the barn was decorated in an autumn, Thanksgiving motif. Small pumpkins, squash, corn and corn stalks were arranged around the floor as if they had fallen there from Mother Nature's cornucopia, the symbol of the fall harvest. The seats, bales of hay, were placed on the side.

REFRESHMENTS SERVED

Music was by records, some old and some new, but all familiar to the couples. At one corner was a refreshment stand. Two large thermos jugs held hot cocoa. Big apples covered with caramel, just plain apples, and cookies were also served.

The evening sped by quickly. At the the end of the dance, the cadets walked back to their bus alone — very much alone. The girls remained to help clean up.

Everyone had fun and enjoyed the dance very much. The Monti girls are always lovely hostesses. Cadets who will be here again next year are looking forward to another Sade Hawkins dance.

Monti Girls Hold Hilarious Square Dance Last Week

Cadets Have Fun And Frolic At Oldfashioned Barn Hop

By Bud Erickson

Last Friday evening thirty-seven Western cadets attended a hilarious square dance at Monticello College. The "hoedown" was held in a perfect setting, the barn, and though the wind was crisp outside, the stars shown brilliantly all night. About one hundred yards from the barn, a blazing campfire burned, and it proved to be a great place for a "break" from the dancing.

The girls looked as charming as ever in aprons and ginghams. Cadets wore blue jeans or other civilian clothes. Monti had Jim Hendrickson, a square dance caller from Wood River, and he taught the fifty couples about six different dances.

Dance Is Tough

The Western boys found that square dancing can be rough, but also fun. Most of them went at it wholeheartedly, only to get winded in a short time. The affair was enjoyed by all, partly because it was so humorous.

George Burnham hobbled on Lennie Pearson's crutches and had everybody in stitches. Bill Elliott threw a pass and wound up in the hay. Dick Blankenship was nearly stopped at the goal, but scampered across. "Twig" Granger showed everybody how it is done in Baltimore. Fields tried to rip and snort once too often and "goofed" up his group. Brian Jonagan couldn't take it for laughing so hard. "Santa Claus" Lytle scored a technical knockout on himself, while Smith and McCandless kept the fire burning.

Full Of Laughter

All in all, it was an exciting evening with something going on every minute, and everybody rocked with laughter. Western's cadets were sorry to leave the Monti girls' wonderful party at 11:00 P.M., but they rolled out across the campus singing in good spirits.

Capt. Whitlock was the chaperon. The following cadets were the lucky ones to attend: Burnham, G., Martinez, R., Nold, Blankenship, Lopez, Touche, Greer, G., Granger, Morris, Hink, W., Sass, Fields, LeBosse, Allee, Pearson, O'Daniel, Erickson, C., Kennedy, Sylvester, Bernhard, Kirby, Jonagan, Sexton, Goetz, Elliott, Buckley, Sinkevics, Ryan, Ingersoll, Hyman, Esteves, A., Smith, C., Lytle, McCandless, Hashbarger, Greer, C., Silver.

Monticello Girls Entertain With Enjoyable Mixer

By Briney

Last Saturday evening almost one-third of the cadet corps attended a "mixer" at Monticello from 8:00 until 11:00. It was the first social event of the year. Informal dancing was enjoyed in "The Cabin", which is similar to Western's canteen, only larger. The girls served soft drinks and cookies, and the musice was furnished by popular records. Many couples sat around the tables and talked.

This year's group of Monti girls was as attractive as usual. It did not take long to get acquainted. The evening was very enjoyable.

Capt. Whitlock and Lieut. Kelly were in charge of the cadets. Capt. Whitlock stated that it was one of the most delightful and well handled mixers he has ever seen at Monticello.

Cadets Attending

Those who attended were as follows:

Appolito, Avenatti, Ayer, Bailie, J., Barnes, Barrett, Beck, R., Bidwell, Block, Breuer, Briney, Chalmers, Corsi, Davis, E., Day, Dolan, Dubin, Dummer, Eakin, Fandrei, Fenolio, Fitzgerald, R., Frame, Freeman, Figgatt, Friedman, W., Fineberg, Garlock, Gerbrecht, Gipson, Good, Gutro, Gutierrez, F., Gutierrez, J.

Hegwein, Hink, H., Holshoy, Hyatt, Hyde, Isenberg, Jimenez, Jones, C., Karlin, Klein, Klyczek, Knight, Le Bosse, Loeffler, McAlpine, Martorelli, Magnabosco, Maltz, Marrs, Martindale, Martinez, R., Miller, W., Morgan, Naeve, Newberry, Parsons, Peterson, P., Platt, Prieto.

Quintero, Randle, Ransel, Robertson, T., Rohde, Roman, Ruiz, J., Ruiz, R., Salter, Santos, Schade, Shepard, Skipton, Slotkowski, Spisarczuk, Stern, Stratman, Swackhamer, Szewczyk, Taylor, Tiebel, Thomas, R., Vitale, Ward, Weilepp, Williams, T., Zahn.

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New cadets, the Monticello phone numbers are 3-9845 and 3-9635.

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Opening Dancing Class Attended By Cadets And Girls

By Hadwin

The first of five dancing classes arranged by Mrs. W. H. Green, social director, was held last Saturday evening in the field house. It got off to a good start and was attended by about 80 cadets and 60 girls from Monticello College and Alton, who served as partners for the boys.

Mr. Eddie Gromacki, popular and efficient instructor from the Mary Louise Studios of St. Louis and East St. Louis, conducted the class. He began with a few basic steps and then went into the more difficult steps.

After the class was over, the cadets took their dates to the movie, "The Grass Is Greener", in the chapel. All in all, the evening was very enjoyable.

SEVENTY CADETS TO JOIN DANCING CLASS

By Hadwin

Mrs. W. H. Green, Social Director, held a meeting Sunday night for those who are interested in taking dancing lessons. About seventy cadets attended and signed up. The cost will be five dollars for five lessons. The classes will be taught by Mr. Eddie Gromacki of the Mary Louise Studios of East St. Louis and St. Louis.

Classes will be held on Saturday evenings in the field house. Girls from Monticello and Alton will be invited to serve as partners for cadets. The cadets may be permitted to take them to the weekly picture show afterwards.

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Whenever we have sunny days, riding seems to be a favorite sport among cadets, especially when the objective is Monticello.

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Thrills And Brave Rescue On Trip To Monticello Dance

Last Saturday night, when the twenty-two cadets reluctantly turned away from the charming Monticello girls at the close of the dance, snow was sifting down and slush was freezing underfoot on the college campus.

Capt. Charles Moore, the faculty officer in charge of the party, cast a wise eye at the falling snow and crusted ground. He remarked, "This reminds me of Washington at Valley Forge. All right, Wood! Get that farewell over so that they can close the college front door!"

The cadets piled into the school bus and Capt. Moore started the engine. "Is everyone here?" asked the Captain.

"Sir, I beg to report that Lieut. Fossieck is missing," replied Pettes.

"Zounds!" cried Capt. Moore, as he switched off the ignition. "Maybe he's wounded in action," And then, rising to the occasion, he yelled a sharp military order: "Skirmishers out!"

"Crunch, crunch!" went the feet of the cadet party as the scouts deployed upon the snow-glazed campus, keeping one eye out for the missing lieutenant and one upon the college windows, where some of the girls were waving encouragement to the young heroes.

One by one the cadets reported, "Sir, the missing officer is not to be found."

"So Washington thought he had trouble at Valley Forge," muttered Capt. Moore. "I must storm the fort!"

All the cadets volunteered as one man but Capt. Moore said, "No, my lads. I'll go on this search alone." And with that he re-entered the doors of Monticello.

Quickly the captain sped down the hall, his feet scarcely sounding upon the carpeted floors. Suddenly, he heard excited voices. Peering into a door, he saw in a group of girls Lieut. Fossieck brandishing a carving knife.

"What's the meaning of this?" demanded Capt. Moore, feeling for his weapons.

A sweet, young lady launched a dazzling smile at Capt. Moore, who staggered under the impact but managed to retain consciousness. She said, "This is my birthday and Lieut. Fossieck is going to cut my cake."

A few minutes later, Capt. Moore returned with Lieut. Fossieck safe and sound, whereupon the cadets, who had feared the worst, gave a hearty cheer.

But the excitement was not yet over. It was now past midnight. The school bus, with Capt. Moore wrestling with the wheel, began to skid so lucky. It whirled around twice, did the tango on two wheels, and slithered gracefully into the front bumper of the bus. A farmer leaped into the street and yelled: "Brother, this street is kinder slick, ain't it."

"Sure is," replied Capt. Moore, as he ascertained that no damage had been done.

From the darkness in the bus came a voice, "Say, captain, this is fun. Can't we drive around town a little bit?"

"No!" thundered the captain, as he aimed for the center of a bridge.

Moral: If you want excitement, go to a Monticello dance on a slick, snowy night when one of the girls has a birthday.

Monticello Holds Junior Prom

By Carter

Last Friday evening a group of cadets enjoyed the Junior Prom of the Monticello girls, which was an elaborate event held at the Stratford Hotel in Alton. Refreshments were served, the girls were lovely, the music lively, and all had a good time. Capt. Nava and Lieut. Blitz were chaperons.

The following cadets attended: Voss, Elliott, Carter, R., Fields, Buckley, Kinney, Jonagan, Thompson, Smith, C., McCandless, Ryan, Erickson, C., Pinsly, Grau, Bernhard, O'Daniel, Sauzer, Morris, Layton, Pearson, and Friedman.

All Aboard! Truck Leaves For Monti!

Neither rain nor the lack of transportation could stop the Western cadets from their Saturday night visit to Monticello. Walter Laux's air-conditioned truck supplanted the bus, which was in St. Louis. After their arrival, the cadets and their dates were served refreshments in the parlor. A long stream of couples then wound their way to the "cabin", where the juke box ground out sweet, swingy and sentimental melodies. Some of the boys declare they didn't even know it was raining. In the parlor a portable victrola furnished music for more dancing. At 10:30, the truck pulled up and the cadets said fond farewells.

Twenty-six boys can vouch for the success of the dance, as follows: Adair, Block, Hargraves, Keeler, Waters, Raith, Barker, J. Galvin, Richardson, J. Hartmann, Heiser, Bohlmann, Chamberlain, Weeke, Hutchison, J., Hutchinson, H., Brown, Wixon, H., Borntraeger, Regan, Keller, Ross, Marks, McMurray, F., May, J.

RIDE TO MONTICELLO ENJOYED BY HORSEMEN

Last Saturday Ruby, Arvey, Anixter, L., and Goldman, accompanied by Lieut. Doan, rode as far as Monticello College. They were gone from 2:00 to 5:00 o'clock.

The only unpleasant features were the casting of a shoe by Cameron Dare and the disappointment of Arvey and Anixter at not being able to talk to any girls.

Ruby rode Blaze, Goldman rode Gypsy, Arvey rode Cameron Dare, Anixter rode Glenmore, and Lieut. Doan rode Dan.

The pleasant ride was enlivened by an exchange of "Knock-Knocks" between Ruby and Lieut. Doan.

Party Of Cadets At Monticello's Last Dance Of The Year

Boys Lose Their Eagles And Lights Of Bus Fail, To Round Out Eventful Evening

At 7:00 o'clock last Saturday evening, twenty-three cadets piled into taxis on their way to festivities at Monticello. After the boys found their dates, the visitors were shown into the gymnasium for the graduating play. The play, "Stage Door," was presented in a most entertaining and excellent manner. The third act completed, the cadets were conducted to the dining room, where a dance was held to the merry melodies of Carl LaRue and his orchestra.

The girls seemed unusually happy and beautiful. Could it possibly be that it was only a day until their home-coming (or home-going)? As usual, Kahle and Barnes, W. could be seen traipsing upon the feet of their young ladies.

It was reported, without fallacy, that the fresh spring air was being indulged in by many of the outdoor enthusiasts. Ah, springtime MUST be here.

At the end of the dance at 1:00 A. M., the evening's entertainment had just begun. On going back to the men's rest room, most of the cadets were surprised (to say the least) to find the emblems missing off the front of their white caps. It looked like an inside job, but nothing could be done about it. This chapter can be called "The Case of the Stolen Eagles," or "Souvenir Hunters' Paradise." Next time the "socialites" will have to take Ginsberg and Gottfried along for hat check girls.

After spending the best part of fifteen minutes getting the more romantic of the boys into the bus, the party started out of Monty's front gate for the last time this year. For some it wasn't the last time, however. Just as the front gate was passed the lights went out on the bus—a short circuit. Trusty old "Mac" did his good turn for the evening by running back to call the repair garage.

Forty-five minutes later:

On with the story. The cadets soon were off for their beloved domiciles after a most exciting and well-spent night.

So Monticello, we say to you, "Thanks for the swell time this year, and may we see you again next September (if the hometown girl let's us).

With Major Henderson and Lt. Fossieck in charge, the following group of Westernites were entertained:

Eaton, Farrell, Fenton, Haeussler, Hamilton, Holton, Kahle, Keller, H., Paulson, Roth, Ray, Simpson, Slack, Zuieback, Muguerza, Lickey, Kingston, Yonkers, Barnes, W., McDonough, Nicewarner, Deacon, and Rinehard.

Monticello Girls And Cadet Tankers Have Splash Party

Members of the Prep swimming team had an enjoyable splash party as the guests of the girl swimmers of Monticello College at the Monticello pool on Wednesday. Capt. and Mrs. Williams accompanied the cadets.

The boys arrived at 4:30 and changed to bathing suits. They met the girls at the pool and an hour of fun followed. Several relay races were held, the teams being composed of both boys and girls. The cadets then put on a water polo exhibition, followed by one between the college girls.

After this care-free frolic in the water, a delicious meal was served in the recreation cabin at Monticello, followed by conversation and dancing. The cadets left at 7:30, feeling that the charming Monty girls had given about the most delightful party of the school year. They extend thanks to their hostesses.

Cadets who went were: Newberger, Shield, V., Kingston, Kirsch, Ditto, W., Snyder, Sommer, P., Reichman, McBride, Roth, Keller, H., Kadet, Hicks, Mueller, Oldacre, Ellis, Lyman, Norris, Rush, Kent, Marks, Ditto, L.

Monti Girls Attend Dinner And Dance Here At Western

Last Saturday afternoon eight Monticello girls came over to watch the track meet and stay for dinner and the dance. The girls arrived about two o'clock and went to Mrs. Henderson's quarters, where they were met by their dates. From there they were escorted to the bleachers, where they watched the track meet between Western and Country Day. After the track meet the girls went to the front parlors of the Academy to meet Col. Jackson. The group watched the retreat formation on the walk and the cadets marching into the mess hall. They then proceeded to the mess hall, where Miss Verna Laux had one long table set for them. The table was gaily decorated with spring flowers. The couples feasted on steak, potatoes, vegetables, salad, and strawberry shortcake.

After the dinner the group returned to the parlors and listened to the Capehart radio and victrola. Col. Jackson also brought out several very interesting games which everyone enjoyed.

As seven-thirty rolled around, the cadets and their dates wended their way to the canteen for the informal dance. Those who came for the meet, dinner, and the dance were Miss Bernice Postal and Cadet Heiser, Miss Myra King and Cadet Regan, Miss Catherine Charles and Cadet Whitmer, Miss Mary Emanuel and Cadet Galvin, Miss Sue McCulloch and Cadet Verreos, N., Miss Nancy Scott and Cadet Nott, Miss Maxine Ford and Cadet Ainlay, and Miss Joan Young and Cadet Kurtz.

The dance was rather small as a result of there being so many cadets on furlough. Cadets Barry and Zimmer furnished the music. Area privileges were granted to the cadets, even though the evening was slightly cold. At nine-thirty the canteen was opened and refreshments were served.

The other cadets who attended and who had dates from Alton were: Cadet Allen and Miss Mary Bell Olin; Cadet Tarnow, W., and Miss Pat Wegen; Cadet Berg and Miss Norma Lee Simpson; Cadet Shapiro, M. and Miss Betty Lou Gleiber; Cadet Yavitz and Miss Priscilla King; Cadet Raphael and Miss Joan Loellke; Cadet Thomas

Western Tankmen Overcome Y.M.H.A., Monti Girls Lose

Double Swim Attraction Held In Academy Pool On Saturday Night

Last Saturday evening a large crowd saw a double swimming meet in Western's pool as the mermen of W. M. A. and the mermaids of Monticello met the teams of the Y. M. H. A. of St. Louis. The cadets defeated the boys' team, 40 to 26, but the Y. M. H. A. girls overcame the less experienced Monticello swimmers, 32-16. The double attraction was enjoyed by the spectators, and the local pool has seldom had such a galaxy of feminine competitors.

Even though two regulars were absent and two other men had sprained ankles, the W. M. A. tankmen had little trouble in winning the meet. In fact, the score was more one-sided than the previous victory in St. Louis, 37½ to 28½. Lyman again led the W. M. A. splashers with firsts in the 100 and 220 free style. Nicolay, Verreos, J., and the free style relay team also counted firsts. Western's total was greatly boosted by the second places won by Liese, Ruby, Davey, and Hullverson. Roselman starred for Y. M. H. A.

Paxton of Monticello proved to be a team almost by herself, while Shetzer of the St. Louis girls was an outstanding star in three events.

All teams put on a fine exhibition. Most of the cadets saw both meets, while the Sophomores left their dance to see part of the program.

The announcer was Jack Quinlan, the timer Bob Bill, technicians Schneider and Shapiro, and the supervisor was Capt. Pitt. Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Pitt were hostesses for the girls.

Western-Y. M. H. A.

40-yard free style—1st, Nicolay (W); 2nd, Liese (W); 3rd, Gavenman (Y). Time :21.6.

100-yard breast stroke—1st, Ungar (Y); 2nd, Kraus (Y); 3rd, T. Douglas (W). Time 1:18.

220-yard free style—1st, Lyman (W); 2nd, Ruby (W); 3rd, Roselman (Y). Time 2:39.9.

100-yard back stroke—1st, J. Verreos (W); 2nd, Orenstein (Y); 3rd, Trowbridge (W). Time 1:12.2.

100-yard free style—1st, Lyman (W); 2nd, Davey (W); 3rd, Ungar (Y). Time 1:09.

Diving—1st, Roselman (Y); 2nd, Hullverson (W); 3rd, Floyd (W).

180-yard medley relay—Won by Y. M. H. A. (Orenstein, Ungar, Gavenman). Time 2:03.5.

160-yard free style relay—Won by Western (Nicolay, Hullverson, Floyd, Liese). Time 1:31.

Monticello-Y. M. H. A.

40-yard free style—1st, Paxton (M); 2nd, Oxenhandler (Y); 3rd, Cook (Y). Time :25.

40-yard breast stroke—1st, Kessler (Y); 2nd, Paxton (M); 3rd, Jackson (M). Time :30.8.

40-yard back stroke—1st, Shetzer (Y); 2nd, Frischtman (Y); 3rd, Jackson (M). Time :28.9.

Diving—1st, Harmon (M); 2nd, Oxenhandler (Y); 3rd, Tully (M).

80-yard free style relay—Won by Y. M. H. A. (Shetzer, Lutyens, Kessler, Oxenhandler). Time .49.

60-yard medley relay—Won by Y. M. H. A. (Shetzer,, Kessler, Cook). Time :39.

Cadets Have Fun At Monticello's Junior Carnival

By John Sallter

On April 4 a busload of happy cadets departed for the beloved halls of Monticello College in Godfrey. The purpose of this venture was to raise money for Monti's Junior Class, and it was successful.

The evening began with a carnival in the college's lower gym. Here for a small fee, one could throw water balloons at the pretty faces of Sally Bousher and Sue Owens, and patronize Sue Johnson's dart-throwing game, or Linda Green's penny toss, or the kissing booth (which was run by many persons).

The favorite of all, however, was the jail, a barred room where for a slim dime one could send any person to jail. No one was safe, as Lieuts. Robbins and Reed can testify. They chaperoned the group, but spent much of their time behind the bars.

At 9:00 o'clock, the scene shifted to the Haskell House Smoker, where couples danced until 11:00. The tempo was lively and the music fast and furious. Most of those present liked it that way, especially Wes Friedman.

During the last half-hour the mood of the music changed to the soft and romantic. All too soon the evening was over. The couples said their goodbyes, and the cadets returned to the campus, not so rich as when they left, but just as happy.

An informal source told this reporter that the Junior Class cleared over $150. The evening was enjoyed by everyone.

Westernaires Play At Monti In Spite Of Many Handicaps

Last Saturday night the well known Westernaires made a hit with the girls at Monticello in spite of many handicaps. They played in the recreation room of the college.

In the first place, the trumpet section was without Don Heuer and Larry Evans because of sickness and furlough. Two new men, Fletcher and Mayer, G. had to step into the breach, and they did well considering the fact that they had seen the music only once before.

In the second place, the sax section suffered a three-way loss. Willie Hale, first alto man, was in the hospital last Friday, but he got out in time to play, though he had his troubles. The fourth tenor sax man, Heuseman, had had eye drops in his eyes, so he couldn't see the nose in front of his face. He practically played from memory. Then the third alto sax player, Old Faithful Buzz "I-forgot-it" Haeger, forgot his saxophone and clarinet. He had to borrow a clarinet and transpose his music, but it didn't sound so bad.

Finally, the musicians had to lug in another piano from the floor above.

But the band came through in excellent fashion in spite of all the hard luck, as was shown by the long rounds of applause from the listeners and the shouts for "more" after the theme song was played.

The band was composed of Lieut. Turmail, Zellinger, Kirsch, Harter, Hale, W., Haeger, Heuseman, Spittle, Mayer, G., Fletcher, Frow, and Hale, D.

RIDERS OF MONTICELLO AND WESTERN TO HAVE PICNIC ON WEDNESDAY

Next Wednesday afternoon the newly organized Western "Saddle and Bridle Club" will have a social affair together with the girl riders from the Monticello College. The cadet members of the riding class met last week and selected the name of the club. An emblem will be chosen soon and placed upon the shirt.

The cadet members will go to Monticello on a hay-ride. Then they will meet the girls and take part in several amusing contests, somewhat after the fashion of a gymkana. This program will be followed by a weiner roast. All cadets are sure to enjoy the occasion. It is hoped that the riders of both schools may have other similar meetings.

Monticello Prep Girls Open Season With First Dance

Eighty Cadets Meet Monti Girls At Enjoyable Event; Features School Daze Theme

By Crandall, D.

Strange things were happening last Saturday night. It was noticed that some cadets were uneasy and in a hurry to leave the mess hall. Furthermore, around 80 cadets were noticed showering, combing hair, polishing shoes, shining brass, and shaving.

The cause of this excitement? GIRLS! The Prep girls from Monticello College were giving their first informal dance, and the cadets, like Christopher Columbus, were eager to explore new territory. The purpose of the dance was for the cadets and the girls to get acquainted. Therefore, the theme of the event was "School Daze". Two busloads of cadets went over with Capt. Martin in charge. The dates were arranged by the social directors of the two schools, Mrs. Fayma Green of Western and Miss Dustin Myers of Monticello.

Clever Decorations

The girls had worked hard, and the decorations were attractive. Streamers of red and white paper covered the ceiling, and on the walls were all kinds of school items, such as little black slates, pencils, and a cartoon of the teacher. The "school daze" idea was cleverly carried out.

The cadets met the girls in the living room of the Haskell House, and the couples moved down stairs for dancing. Music was furnished by records. Later, refreshments of apple cider and doughnuts were served. When the floor became too crowded, couples strolled elsewhere around the halls. Col. and Mrs. Moore and Lieut. Lamb also were present.

Dance a Big Success

The dance was a great success, and everyone enjoyed it. According to the post-mortems, the cadets thought that the girls were very attractive and wonderful hostesses. Monticello has more prep (high school) girls than

St. Patrick's Dance Is Attended By One Hundred Couples

Martin Alexander's Orchestra Plays For Successful Social Event

Last Saturday night, one hundred cadets and their charming dates danced for three blissful hours to the music of Martin Alexander's orchestra in the Field House. It was Western's annual St. Patrick's Dance. Though many of the Monticello belles were missing, their places were filled by attractive girls from Alton, St. Louis, and other cities, and it was conceded that the dance was one of the best of the year.

In the receiving line were Major and Mrs. G. M. Magee, Capt. and Mrs. Ben Johnson, Mrs. A. M. Jackson, and Mrs. R. K. Latham. Cadet Kennedy was master of ceremonies. The grand march started at 8:30. Appropriate decorations, programs, and refreshments added to the pleasure of the event.

The music was just right, with fast, slow, and special dances nicely proportioned. Several times during the evening the jitterbugs had their opportunities. Knowles and Miss Haynes gave an excellent exhibition, while Block demonstrated the fancy steps of Arkansas. When time came for the "La Conga", everybody joined in. Heiser led one of the longest "La Conga" lines ever seen in the Field House, and Miss Natalie Bynam of St. Louis led another in a beautiful example of rhythm. Even rhumba experts like Lieut. Hamilton had a chance to get in their favorite steps.

By the time "recall" sounded at midnight, many starry-eyed couples wondered why such an evening passes so quickly as they said goodbye.

Credit must be given to Mrs. Henderson and the Dance Committee, to Fred and his staff for the decorations, and to Miss Bandeen for the refresh-

Miss Smith Gives Impromptu Diving Exhibition In Pool

Though Miss Arlite Smith, national low board diving champion, does not give diving exhibitions when she lectures, she said the weather was so hot last Saturday evening that she would enjoy a swim in the W. M. A. pool following her talk in the gym. Col. Jackson invited cadets interested in swimming to join the party, and about sixty boys joyously changed to swimming togs and hurried to the pool. In fact, Barta's uniform must have been equipped with zippers, for he was back before the crowd could leave the lecture room.

Lieut. Humphreys escorted Miss Smith to the pool after she had donned her swim suit, and she entered to enthusiastic applause. The beautiful and gracious little lady was the center of attention. The cadets quickly climbed out of the pool, and Miss Smith gave an impromptu diving exhibition that they will never forget. All agreed that even the pictures did not do her justice.

Poised on the spring board, she was grace and loveliness personified. She did a variety of dives with such smoothness and perfection that the crowd was aroused to continual applause. Her slender body with real championship form would arch through the air, part the water with hardly a splash, and disappear in a foam of sparkling bubbles. A moment later she would reappear, with a shake of her wet curls and a flashing smile, to climb from the pool and do another marvelous dive.

Capt. Williams and Lieut. Humphreys announced the dives. Cadets Turner and Block, W. also did some dives. When Miss Smith finished, the cadets crowded around to thank her. Some got her autograph. She had completely won their hearts, not only by her skill and beauty but by her charm and friendliness. The cadets then enjoyed a final swim before taps.

Girls Of Monticello Visit Campus And See Grid Practice

The hot, dusty Saturday afternoon of last week was enlivened by a group of Monticello girls who visited the Western campus, watched the football scrimmage, and succeeded in ensnaring a number of cadets, new and old. The general verdict of the corps was—"lovely, as usual."

It was the first time the cadets had seen the Monti girls this year. They arrived in the school bus, and soon had their quota of cadets as escorts. Some of them renewed acquaintances from last year. The girls witnessed the spirited practice game, and some of the gridmen were inspired to brilliant efforts.

The girls were then conducted to the canteen for refreshments. They left when C. Q. called the cadets to quarters to prepare for evening mess. From all appearances, the usual pleasant relationships will exist among members of the schools again this year.

ATTEND PROM AT MONTICELLO

By Billingsley

On April 23, six cadets attended the prom given by the Monticello Prep School at the Lockhaven Country Club. The theme of the dance was the "Sweetheart Tree", and the room was decorated like a garden, which even included a fountain. The orchestra, "The Shefields", was from Principia College and it did an excellent job.

Lieut. Robbins took the cadets, but how he ever got Horn, Meredith, Droege, Freed, Billingsley, and Beasaw into his car is still a mystery. The Monti girls were extremely beautiful, and everyone had an enjoyable evening. Thanks to the girls who made it all possible — Christy, Sharon, Dorothy, Claudia, Beth, and Jeanie.

DANCING CLASSES ARE POPULAR AT WESTERN

Three dancing class sessions have been successfully held by Mr. Heitman of the Heitman Dance Studios of St. Louis. Many cadets have attended these classes on Saturday nights.

The first class at 6:45 is for beginners or for boys who do not dance very well.

The second class at 7:30 is for cadets who know their primary steps but who wish to improve in dancing and learn advanced steps. Girls from Monticello and Alton come as partners for cadets and they attend the picture show afterwards with the advanced class members.

Members of the classes are as follows: Abbey, Ahlenius, Audritsh, Brazelton, Carpenter, Camie, Deppe, Dietrich, Elizondo, Fierge, Gemberling, Gomez, A., Hosto, Johnson, Keith, Koch, E., Kurtz, Long, Luedde, Maddox, Magee, G., Magee, M., Malamas, Milbauer, Myers, D., Moore, R., Morris, H., Nettle, Poe, Saxton, Spradling, Stein, Tinsley, Vesci, Washburn, Wepprich.

Allee, Barbic, Bartle, Baumflek, Brown, D., Cross, J., Culver, Larson, Doussard, Dunbar, Estes, Farmer, Till, Finley, Fields, Fleming, Fuchs, Gard, Gonzalez, A., Gruetzemacher, Gross, Haddad, A., Haering, Hamilton, Hood, Jackson, D., Jackson, K., Jiskra, Lamb, Lytle, McCalla, Martinie, Murphy, Muther, Pokres, Radcliff, Schmidgall, Shoop, Spitzer, N., Thompson, Tonkinson, Till, Yeast

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Cadets of the beginners' dancing class were praised by their instructor for doing very well, but the cadets thought the instructor did well, eh boys?

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At Sunday's parade, several Monti girls as well as Alton girls were present. Some cadets on "eyes right," strained their eyes trying to click them up toward the bleachers.

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Since Kottler appeared in a play at Monticello, he has been receiving fan mail. The girls like these tough hemen like Clark Gable.

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Monticello College Girls Entertain At Two Clever Dances

Cadets Attend Senior Dinner Dance And Riding Club Informal Dance Saturday

Last Saturday evening the girls of Monticello College gave two dances, and a group of cadets attended each affair. Both dances were among the most clever and enjoyable that W. M. A. students have been privileged to attend.

The Senior Class of Monticello entertained at a dinner dance. The event began at 7:00 P. M. and lasted until 12:00. It was held in the dining room, where the tables were arranged in a wide circle, leaving space for dancing in the center. The girls had planned a delicious dinner with sirloin steaks as the main "piece de resistance," which of course pleased the cadets tremendously. At 8:00 Will Gruetz and his band began to play, and the rest of the evening was spent in dancing to the excellent music. Cold drinks were served during the evening.

Riding Club Dance

The Riding Club of Monticello gave an equally successful informal dance. The dancing studio was decorated to represent a barn, with stacks of hay serving as seats. A real "horsey" touch was provided by such sayings as "Don't corral yer gal" and "Ride 'em cowboy," which were painted on paper banners hung on the walls. A burlap bag horse in the entrance hall was artistic and realistic.

But the main things at both dances were the very attractive Monty girls, who proved to be perfect hostesses at two of the jolliest parties of the year.

The following fortunate cadets attended:

At the formal dance—Ditto, L., Ditto, W., Kingston, McDonough, Krueger, Kammerer, Rush, Dupont, Josephson, Browne, Arvey, Wall, Thomas, Oldacre, Kirsch, Smiley, and Kaplan.

At the informal dance—Stivers, Deacon, Cox, Meadows, Handlan, Harlan, Wahlert, Norris, Shield, V., Shiell, J., Wise, and Haeussler.

Monticello Girls Are Hostesses At Valentine Dance

Thirty-five Cadets Are Guests At Delightful Event At "The Cabin"

St. Valentine's Day—the day devoted to Cupid and sweethearts. This occasion was joyously observed last Saturday night at Monticello College, where the girls entertained at a clever and appropriate dance. The scene of this pleasant event was "The Cabin" on the Monti campus.

The thirty-five cadets went over by bus and met their dates for the evening. Some couples first attended a motion picture show, "Saboteur." Then all congregated at "The Cabin." The place was charmingly decorated. One wall was covered with a large, heart-shaped valentine, with many small valentines on it containing the names of cadets and their girls.

The calets found each girl attractive enough to be the center-piece of a lovely valentine herself. The evening passed quickly as the gay couples danced to favorite recordings. Refreshments were also served.

The cadets voted that the Monti girls certainly know how to stage an original and entertaining party. Those who attended were: Ainlay, Albiez, Barker, Bartholow, Beers, Berkowitz, Bollman, A., Borntraeger, Crouch, Dahlin, Eastman, Endsley, Evans, Galvin, D., Galvin, J., Gilason, Haeger, Hale, D., Heiser, Keeler, Keller, Leibrandt, Lutz, McMurray, May, J., Nutting, Rahel, Raith, Regan, Ross, Seigel, Schrieber, Spittle, Spiegler, Whitmer, and Wixson, H.

Monticello Girls Give Clever Dance

By Benje Boonshaft

Not all gaiety has ceased, for last Saturday night 34 cadets went to the first informal dance of the New Year given at Monticello College.

It was a clever dance given by the high school seniors in honor of the juniors, and was called "The Junior Jump". It was held in the lounge, and the wall had decorations consisting of small diapers with each junior's name and her date. Festoons of crepe paper hung from the ceiling. The music was recorded.

All who attended agreed that it was a delightful dance, even if the W.M.A. bus did get stuck on the lawn in front of the girls' dormitories.

Cadets attending were Karnages, Schmidt, Westlake, Neckermann, E., Ward, Aldrich, Boonshaft, Schrichte, Burns, W., Bohnsack, Costello, McElvain, Kline, Gintz, Fletcher, F., Backerman, Walker, Redman, Blayney, McElroy, Bass, Gillmann, Burns, H., Phillips, Burgard, Cohen, P., Taylor, Willis, Murphy, Michles, Lerner, Grinnell, Hartford, and Bergstrom.

Cadets At Informal Monticello Party

Last Saturday night, a group of twenty-one cadets attended a Cabin party at Monticello College. The bus, driven by Cadet John Hafner, lost its gas tank on the way over. A truck and a car were hailed on the road to transport the cadets the rest of the way. Meanwhile, the school was contacted and the Army truck was sent out to bring the cadets home.

Upon arrival at Monticello, after a wild and hilarious ride, the boys and their dates spent the evening in the smokehouse, the Cabin, and on the campus.

The following cadets were present: Partain, E., Campbell, Baker, J., Walling, R., Cawvey, Goodwin, L., Weber, J., Dugan, Conner, MacCarthy, Connell, Hafner, Sundal, Adkins, O., Lewis, D., Clarke, Beffa, Dodge, Shane, Franks, and Black, V.

Cadets Guests At Hallowe'en Dance At Monti College

By Bill Lyon

Some forty-five cadets attended a Hallowe'en Dance Saturday night, given by the Prep girls of Monticello College. The cadets were allowed to wear informal clothes, such as blue jeans, shirts, and sweaters. The girls were attired in shirts, sweaters, and party dresses.

The dance was held at "The Cabin", Monticello's chief center for informal dances. The ceiling was practically obstructed from view by masses of large, multi-colored balloons. The lights reflected the many colors of the decorations, adding a gay, festive air to the room.

Music was furnished by records, and all of the popular tunes were played. Cookies, cokes, and other refreshments were served at the snack bar.

The cadets swayed dreamily with their dates from 8:00 to 11:00. A most enjoyable evening came to a close as the cadets said "goodnight" and boarded the "yellow streak" for the campus. It was a delightful party, and the lovely Monti girls are to be congratulated for an excellent dance.

Cadets attending were as follows: Allen, R., Ball, Barrett, Biasella, Bowdre, Carpenter, Cesnik, Christiansen, Davidson, Douglas, Essner, Ferrias, Fields, Fleming, Gemberling, Greeson, Hamilton, Hearst, Hill, Hyland, Jackson, Johnson, D., Koch, Lafferty, Lobeira, McQuiston, Nettle, Parker, Robinson, Ross, Rudman, B., Rusche, Salgado, A., Schifferdecker, Silverman, Spradling, Taylor, R., Till, Tonkinson, Voechting, Warner, Weiss, Wepprich, and Williams, R.

Hallowe'en Dance Big Success For Cadets And Girls

Tuneful Music And Clever Decorations Add To Fun Of Enjoyable Occasion

By William Lowe

Last Saturday evening Western's social calendar offered its first "red letter day". The occasion was the 1947 Hallowe'en Formal. The event was held in the field house and was a huge success with nearly 200 couples attending.

Music was furnished by Bill Lemon's band of St. Louis. The musicians pleased all with their assorted hot and slow tunes. They were very cooperative and contributed greatly to the success of the dance.

Lovely girls began arriving at 8:00 P. M. Cadets with "blind dates" were introduced to their partners. The grand march soon began, led by Dugie Emswiler and Miss Gotthardt.

Appropriate Decorations

The decorations followed the Hallowe'en theme. The band-stand was lined at the base with cornstalks and pumpkins, and a pile of wood at an angle. The walls were adorned with black bats, and at one end of the floor was a huge cauldron with a witch on either side. A jack-o-lantern perched atop a pile of cornstalks gave an eerie glow. Lights were dimmed by orange and black paper streamers. Over the door to the girls' powder room was a sign proclaiming, "Through these portals pass the most beautiful girls in the world". At another place a whimsical sign requested that all broomsticks be parked there.

The decorations were created by Douglas, Doder, Springman, Deutsch, Wolfson, Moehle, Walker, J., Schenberg, and Goodwin under the direction of Dugie Emswiler, and they showed the prowess of the Senior Dance Committee in this field.

Hallowe'en Dance Is An Occasion Of Fun And Pleasure

Big Crowd Attends Brilliant Social Affair On Last Saturday Night

Pumpkins, black cats, skeletons, autumn leaves, and corn-stalks gave the genuine Hallowe'en atmosphere to the gym for the first formal dance of the year held last Saturday night. The large hall was dim and spooky with subdued lights. The dance drew one of the largest crowds to attend a similar dance in recent years and was an unqualified success.

As usual, visitors came from St. Louis and other cities. Alton contributed a bevy of beautiful girls. Western's bus called at Monticello College at 8:10, to bring a crowd of charming young ladies to help the cadets enjoy themselves for a few too-short hours.

In The Receiving Line

The guests began arriving at 8:00 o'clock and were greeted by a receiving line including Col. R. L. Jackson, Mrs. A. M. Jackson, Major and Mrs. R. K. Latham, Major and Mrs. C. L. Persing, Capt. and Mrs. George Schrantz, and Capt. and Mrs. W. M. Hinton. Cadet Shiell, J. presented the guests to the receiving line, assisted by Cadet Bradley, who was acting chairman of the dance committee.

The grand march was led by Col. Jackson and Mrs. Latham, followed by other members of the faculty and the cadets and their partners. After the third time around the hall, the line dissolved and dancing began.

Music Was Excellent

The music for the occasion was furnished by Will Greutz and his orchestra of St. Louis. It was the first appearance of this band at Western, and all cadets and their dates seemed highly pleased with the music. The orchestra featured a girl singer, and the tunes were amplified through a

Monticello Girls Are Hostesses At Christmas Dance

Sixty Cadets Enjoy Play And Dancing In Gay Holiday Setting

The first formal dance of the year for the Monticello "Prep" girls was held at the college last Saturday night. It was attended largely by Western cadets, about sixty of them, though there were a few guests from Alton. A Christmas atmosphere reigned during the entire evening.

To start things off, the couples went across to the chapel to witness the play, "Ready, Willing, and Able," presented by the Monticello Dramatic Club. As the boys and girls streamed across the snow-crusted campus, with lighted Christmas trees twinkling from the windows, and a spot-light picking out the white tower of the chapel from the darkness, they made a scene worthy of being engraved on a Christmas card.

At the chapel, the girls had to pay the admission, two defense stamps. The play was extremely clever with plenty of talent in the cast. The program was full of jokes, songs, dancing, and laughter, and it was enjoyed greatly.

After the laughter had died down, the couples went over to the main building and from there to the dance. The decorations were in Christmas colors, and a big face of Ole Santa Claus was posted like a sentry at one end of the hall. In this lovely setting, Martin Alexander's band played soft music or sweet swing. At the intermission, cookies and fruit punch were served, and Do Jo Rains of Monti played a few "hot licks" on the piano.

All too soon the clock struck twelve, and the cadets, like Cinderella in reverse, left the lighted halls, entered their carriage (the trusty bus), and drove like mad for Western.

It was a beautiful dance and a delightful party.

Monticello Dance Attracts Group Of Cadets Saturday

May Queen Is Crowned With Brilliant Ceremony And Dance Is Enjoyed By Large Crowd

A number of cadets attended the Junior Promenade at Monticello last Saturday night and saw the crowning of the May Queen, Miss Marjorie Bryant of Denver, Colo.

The dance, the most elaborate of the year, was held in the entertainment hall which was lavishly decorated in spring colors. A false ceiling of pastel shades of paper was set off by panels of blue covered with silver stars around the walls. The queen's throne had a backdrop of silver.

In the colorful ceremony, Miss Bryant had as maids of honor: Miss Jaque Phillips, Tulsa, Okla., Miss Doris Bell of Chicago, Miss Joyce Stanton of Park Ridge, Ill., and Miss Peggy Barker of Denver.

Many Guests Present

President G. I. Rohrbough and Mrs. Rohrbough headed the receiving line that welcomed the guests. Dancing was enjoyed to the music of Carol Peters's orchestra. The largest crowd of the year was present, with many young men from colleges and universities of the Midwest, some of whom were week-end guests at Monticello.

Major and Mrs. C. H. Moore accompanied the following cadets to the dance: Helmstetter, Ditto, W., Meadows, Katz, Shield, V., Hodgson, Althoff, Wall, Wise, Hicks, Haeussler, Norris, Krueger, Faulkner, Wahlert, Hassee, Jackson, C., Kaplan, Browne, Burst, Shmikler, Mueller, English, Kirsch, and McBride.

Cadets Attend Senior Carnival At Monticello

By Strassman

On April 22 the Seniors of Monticello held their annual carnival in the gymnasium, where many booths were set up. One could purchase tickets with which he could pay for a chance to win prizes by throwing darts or baseballs, have his fortune told, buy refreshments, or go through the "fun house." A bus-load of cadets enjoyed the affair.

The most popular attractions were the "Southern Style S h o w Boat," "The Justice of the Peace," where one could get married (in a joking manner) for two tickets, and "The Jail," where one had to pay to get out.

After the festivities, the girls gave a dance in the fencing room below the gym. The cadets had such a wonderful time that they were saddened when they had to board the bus back to the campus.

Monticello Girls Have Picnic-Dance

By Carter

Last Saturday the Monticello girls invited 23 cadets to a combined picnic and dance held on their campus from 2:30 to 11:00 p.m. Those attending enjoyed a variety of activities, such as hiking, tennis, or T.V. in the afternoon. A box supper was then followed by a dance in "The Cabin" to the music of the Alton Kings. This four-man combo has become very popular because of its ability to play twist music. Capt. Whitlock acted as chaperon for the cadets, who had a wonderful time.

Those attending: Fields, Buckley, Wonderlin, Pinsley, Carter, Smith, C., Pearson, Layton, Goss, Hashbarger, Morris, Bernhard, Voss, McCandless, Jonagan, O'Daniel, Young, J., Appolito, Sylvester, and Hink, W.

Boat Trip Is Set For Sept. 24th On Steamer "Capitol"

Monticello And Western To Have All-Day Excursion On Mississippi

The annual fall boat excursion on the Mississippi River, one of the gala events of the entire year, has been scheduled for Thursday, September 24th, a much earlier date than usual. Western cadets and Monticello College girls will make the trip together. Many friends and parents of the students of both schools, as well as faculty members, will go on the outing.

Big Boat Chartered

One of the very finest boats on the Mississippi, the steamer Capitol of the Streckfus line, has been chartered this year. It is much larger than the one used last year, having a capacity of around 4,000 people. The large middle deck contains a ball room floor and there will be dancing all day to music by a good orchestra for those who like that recreation. The comfortable upper deck has rooms for cards and picnic lunches as well as plenty of chairs in which passengers may lounge and enjoy the scenery. The Capitol also affords cafeteria and lunch counter service.

THERE WILL BE NO MONTICELLO PREP GIRLS NEXT YEAR

Monticello College will not have a preparatory school next year, as college students will occupy all space.

That is sad news for Western. For over 75 years, W.M.A. cadets and Monti Prep girls have dated and have had dances and social events together. Monti girls have been cheer leaders and have been on the campus every Sunday afternoon until parade time. These acquaintances have resulted in a number of marriages throughout the years between the girls and cadets.

Now Western boys will have to look for their dates elsewhere. They will miss the lovely Monti Prep girls.

See Kiss-o-meter At Shurtleff Carnival

The Shurtleff College carnival, held last Monday to raise funds for their new building, was a great success. Many cadets attended and found some of their girls patiently waiting for them at the gymnasium door.

After getting the dates straightened out (with shy and envious glances from those who did not have them) the boys went to the doughnut stand, and then various ones tried the weight-guessing genius, the shooting gallery, turtle races, fortune teller, etc. Other attractions were the "Quint House," post-office, and picture-taking.

The couples found the "Kiss-o-meter" to be the real feature. It is said that Chuck Jackson and girl registered high for the cadet group, almost breaking the meter, while Hartgrove lowered Western's standard with a low average.

The carnival was clever and was much fun.

Monti Prep Girls Are Hostesses At Enjoyable Dance

By Jim Dickinson

In honor of George Washington the Monticello Prep girls gave a formal dance party on February 20. Approximately 30 cadets were invited by the Monti girls.

The Haskell House parlor and smoker held most of the couples. The dance itself was held in the parlors with music furnished by a local band consisting of a piano, accordian, and drums. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served in the smoker.

At 8:00 the dance began with almost all couples dancing. They found the music good. Cherry tree blossoms decorated the mantels. Large silhouettes of Washington were on the walls. Doorways were decked with white paper columns, symbolizing his love for Colonial architecture.

During the intermission, couples moved downstairs to the smoker for refreshments.

Cadets wore formal attire, blue coats and white shirts for underclassmen, white mess jackets for Seniors. The girls were dressed in various colors of cocktail dresses and long formals.

The evening flew by and 12:00 arrived before anyone realized it. The cadets said goodbye to their dates and returned to the campus with memories of a delightful evening.

Program Given At Monticello College By Cadet Musicians

By J. H. Lamb

Western's Glee Club and Swing Band last Saturday combined forces and presented an excellent program at Monticello College.

"The Kadets" sang three numbers: "Strike Up The Band", "Old Uncle Ned", and "Swing Along." With Capt. Gladding at the piano and Capt. Little conducting, the thirty boys were in perfect voice and the songs were well received.

The Swing Band concluded the program with such familiar tunes as "Charleston Alley", "Always", "The Sunny Side Of The Street," and "Swanee River." Leach substituted for Kirsch at the drums and was an outstanding feature of the band.

Many of the couples danced to the music of the band, which was followed by a wide variety of recordings.

Several of the cadets were fortunate and had dates waiting for them but the others lost no time in becoming acquainted with the young ladies.

At eleven the two busses returned to Western with the entire group agreeing that it most certainly was an enjoyable and successful evening.

St. Patrick's Dance Saturday Evening

The first subscription dance of the second semester will be held Saturday evening in the Field House. It will be the annual St. Patrick's Day formal.

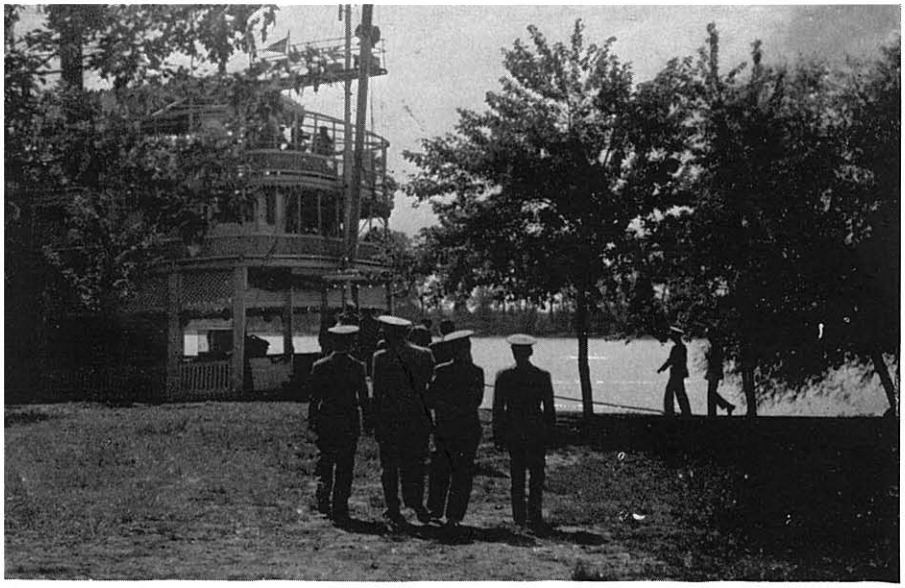
Carl La Rue's orchestra will furnish the music, and everything will be carried through in the usual fashion. Refreshments will be served at the intermission and the dance will end at midnight with couples strolling to the front gate.

The attendance will not equal the record crowd of the George Washington's Birthday Dance. However, those who really like dancing have invited their girls and are looking forward to an enjoyable evening.

Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

MONTICELLO AND WESTERN MEET ON BOAT TRIP

Cadet Jack Roth, Miss June Watkins, Miss Nancy Witt, Cadet Bill Kahle



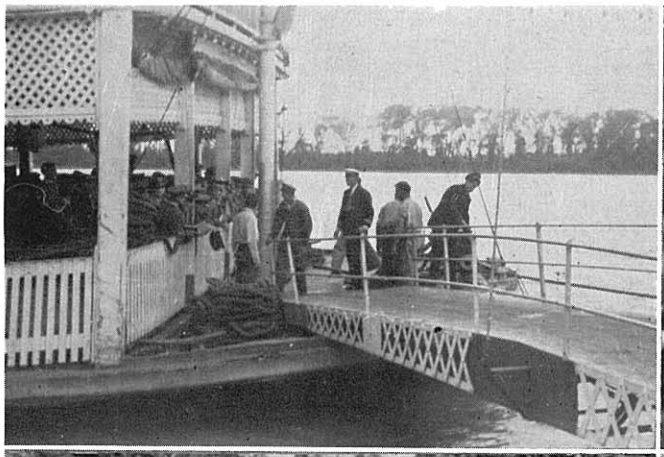
The boat nuzzles against Marquette Park landing.

FALL BOAT EXCURSION

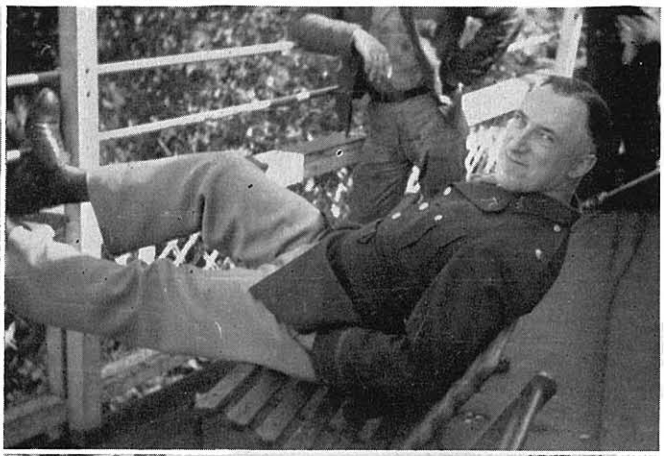
"ON THE MISSISSIPPI"

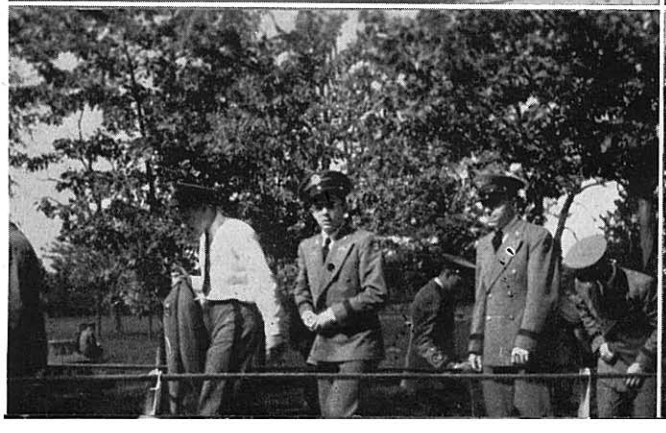
Shades of Pere Marquette and Mark Twain! A joyous event of the fall is the all-day boat trip on the Mississippi up to Marquette Park and back on the steamer, Idlewild. Dancing on the ball-room deck! Picnic lunches! Games! Reading! Dozing! Picturesque bluffs on the Illinois side. Lazy river towns. Rich farms and hunting lodges on the Missouri shore. A perfect day for relaxation!

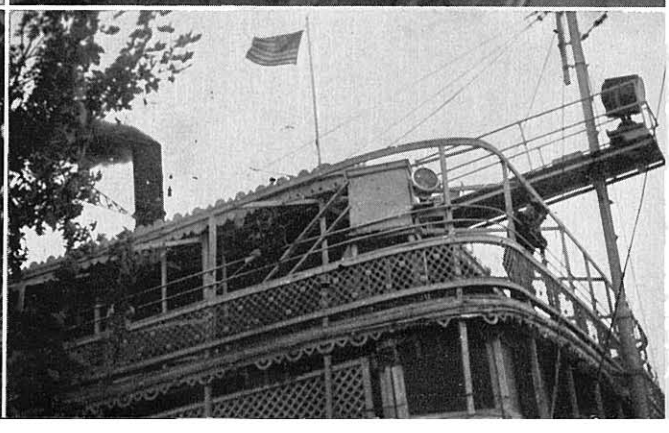
Pulling in the gang plank.
"All ashore!"



Maj. Persing "lazies" on deck.
The old faithful "Idlewild."







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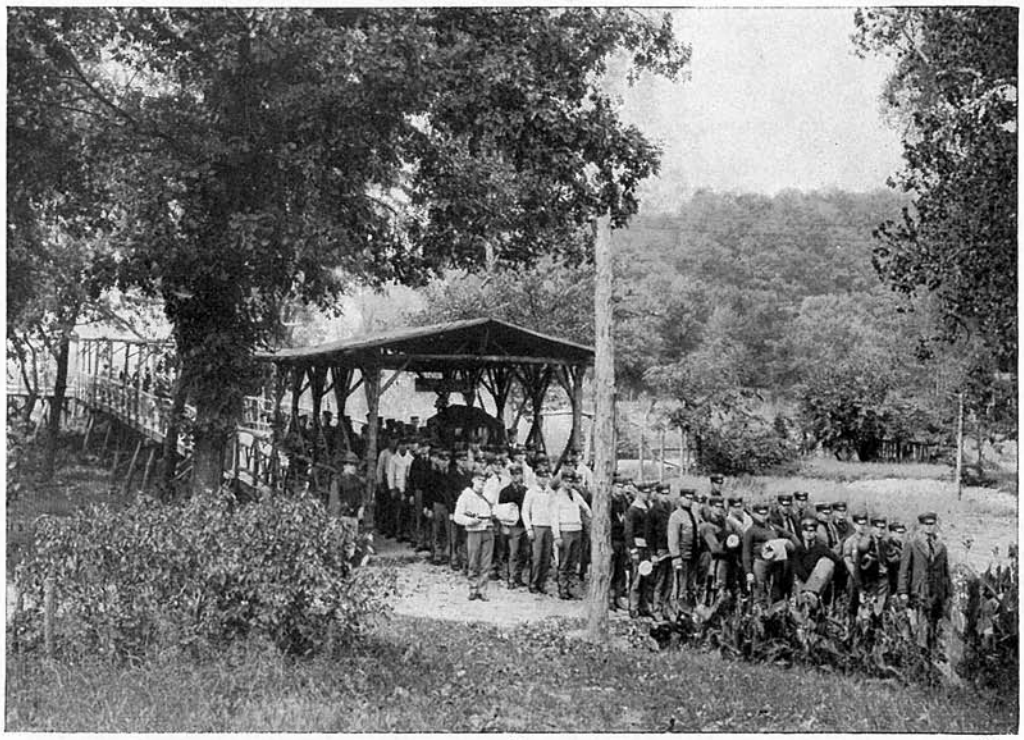
A WEEK-END AT CHAUTAUQUA



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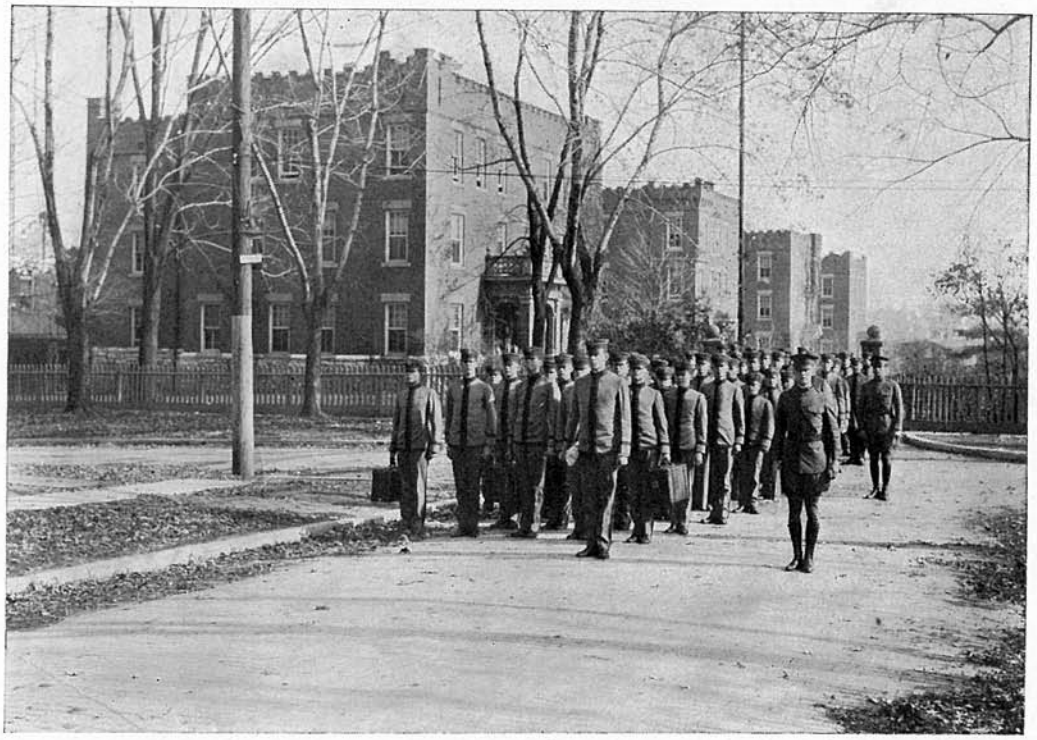
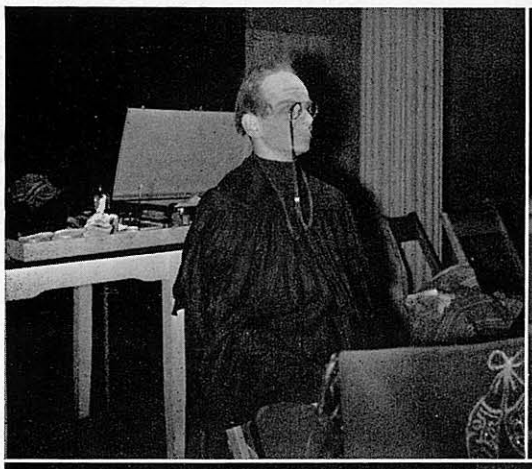


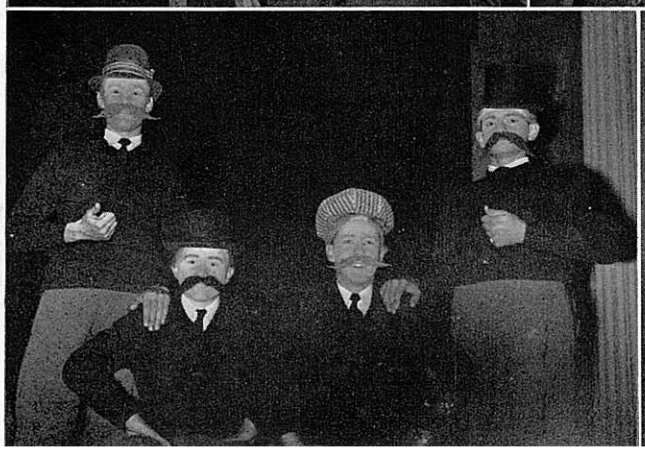
"THE PLAY'S THE THING"

Top—Vance and Scoville hold Hoenig as Stickley prepares to operate. Kerr, Samuels, Newmark, and Barney in "Minor Miracle".

Bottom—Vance, Scoville, and Stickley fight it out. Curtain call for "Mystery of Mouldy Manor."



Top—Steege in role of a scholar. Hulick roughs up Newmark in "Goodnight, Please."



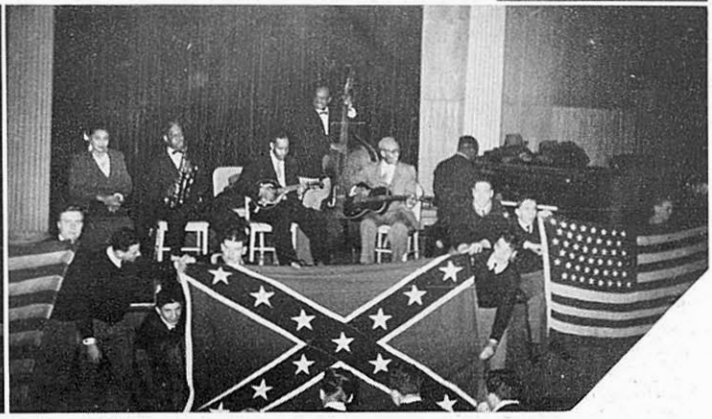
Bottom—Gay '90's quartet, Stentiford, Grubb, Jones, and Alger. Stickley as the perfect dumb butler—"Did you call, sir?"

"Curtain Call!"

1. Tense moment with Bennett, Bolozky, and McRoberts.
2. Silverman, wicked count, enters in "Miracle of Christmas."
3. "A Game of Chess"—Jackson, K., Puchta, Silverman, Hooser.
4. The dudes from "Summer Comes to the Diamond O."
5. Cast of the play, "Miracle of Christmas."
6. The hard-working and very necessary stage crew.
7. Cross, R., Silverman, Kissel, and McRoberts (seated).

Note—Capt. R. P. Martin was responsible for the many excellent plays, including the Senior Play.

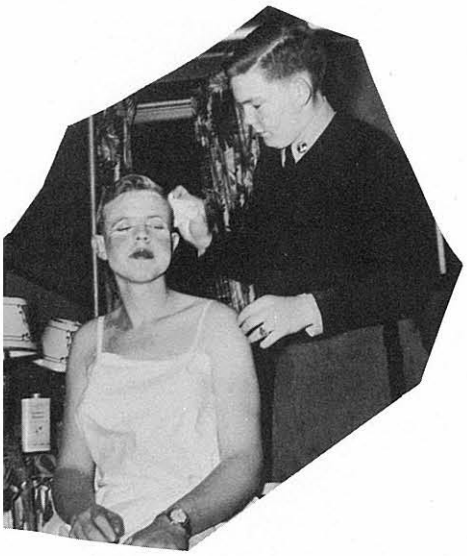
CADESPIANS
IN DRAMATIC MOMENTS



Around the "C", starting at upper right—1. Trespalacios, Haddad, G. in Mexican play. 2. Santa arrives at party. 3. Nudelman makes love to girl (Nettle). 4. Cast of "The Black Valise". 5. Barbic scares us all. 6. Hulda (Jansky) serves tea to lady (Reiman). 7. Rudman gets tough in "Mystery of Mouldy Manor". 8. Guy Williams band in crazy blues. 9. Haddad, A. stars in Christmas play.

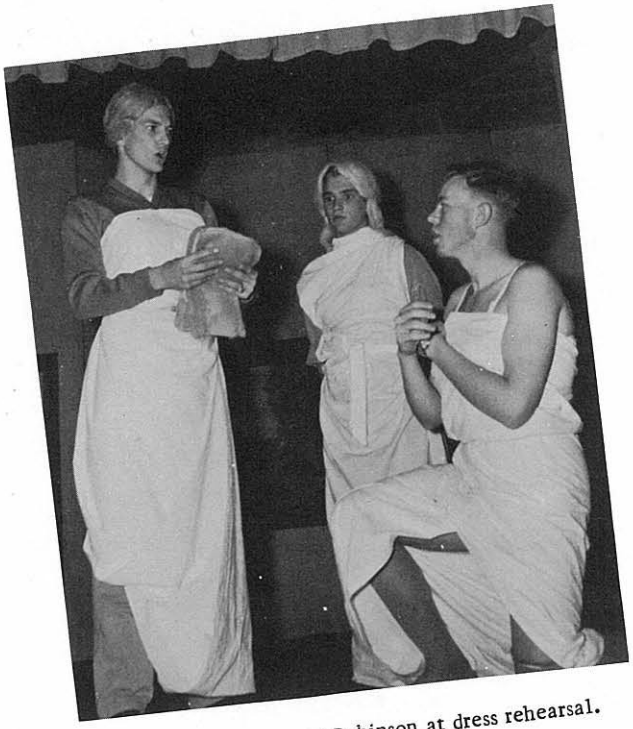
PLAYS AND

The first two plays of the year, directed by Maj. Martin, were the drama, "The Monkey's Paw", and the farce, "Much Ado about John's Other Wife". With an all-cadet cast, they were successful and entertaining.



Crandall applies makeup to Robinson.

"Double, double, toil and trouble" with Ross, Nudelman, and Rudman.

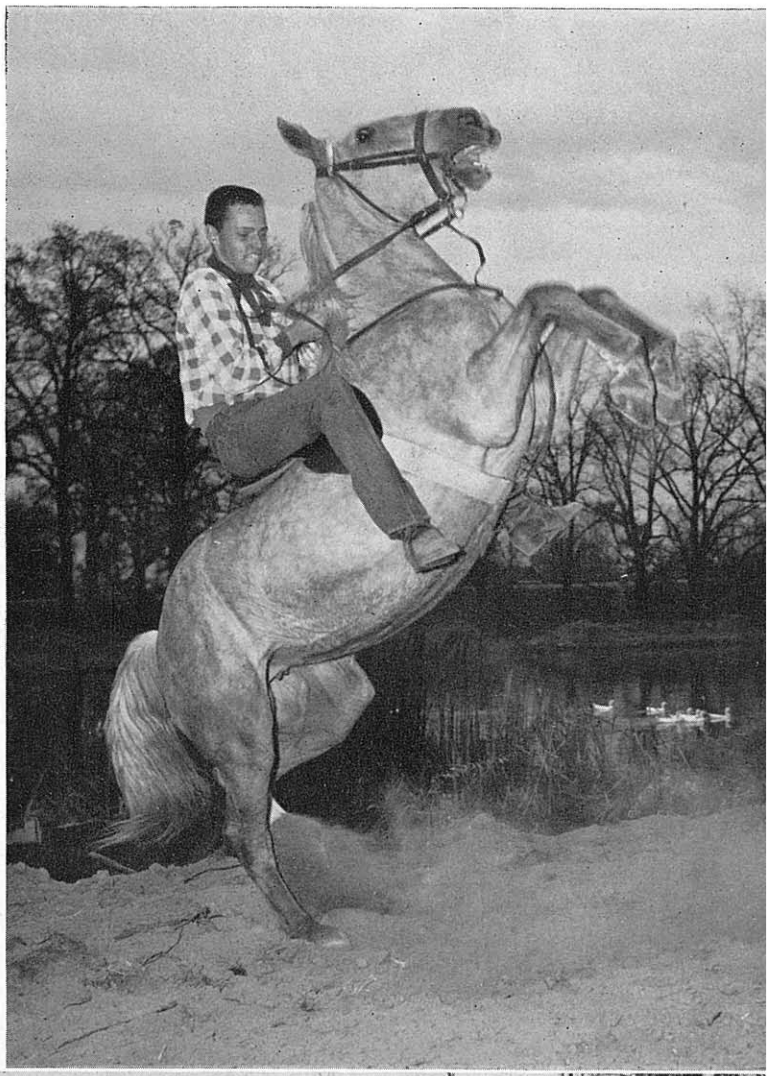


Nettle, Proctor, and Robinson at dress rehearsal.

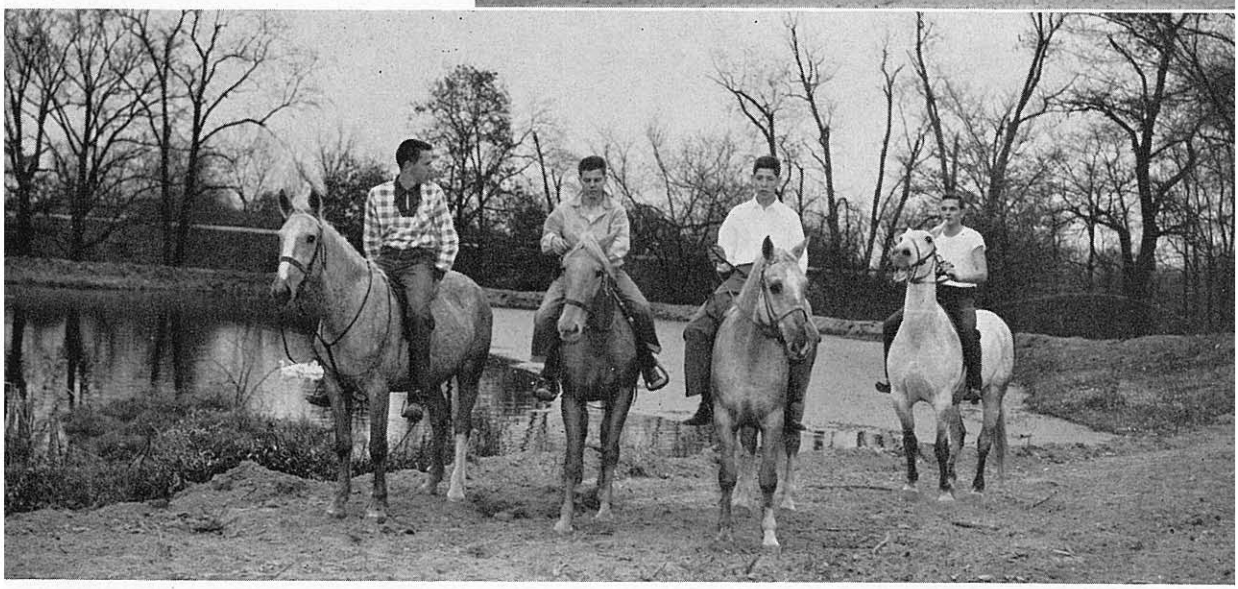
Ironing out details at a late night practice.

HI HO SILVER!
AND
HOLD 'ER, NEWT!

Riding is popular at Western. Walter Laux looks after 17 horses at the barn, and over 40 cadets belong to the Riding Club. They will never forget the brisk gallops to the Big Woods on hazy fall days, sparkling winter mornings, or moist spring afternoons.



At **right** — Bergstrom and Blondie, real pals, frolic and plunge by the W.M.A. pond.



Bergstrom, Watson, Lytle, and Benson ready for a jaunt to the Big Woods.

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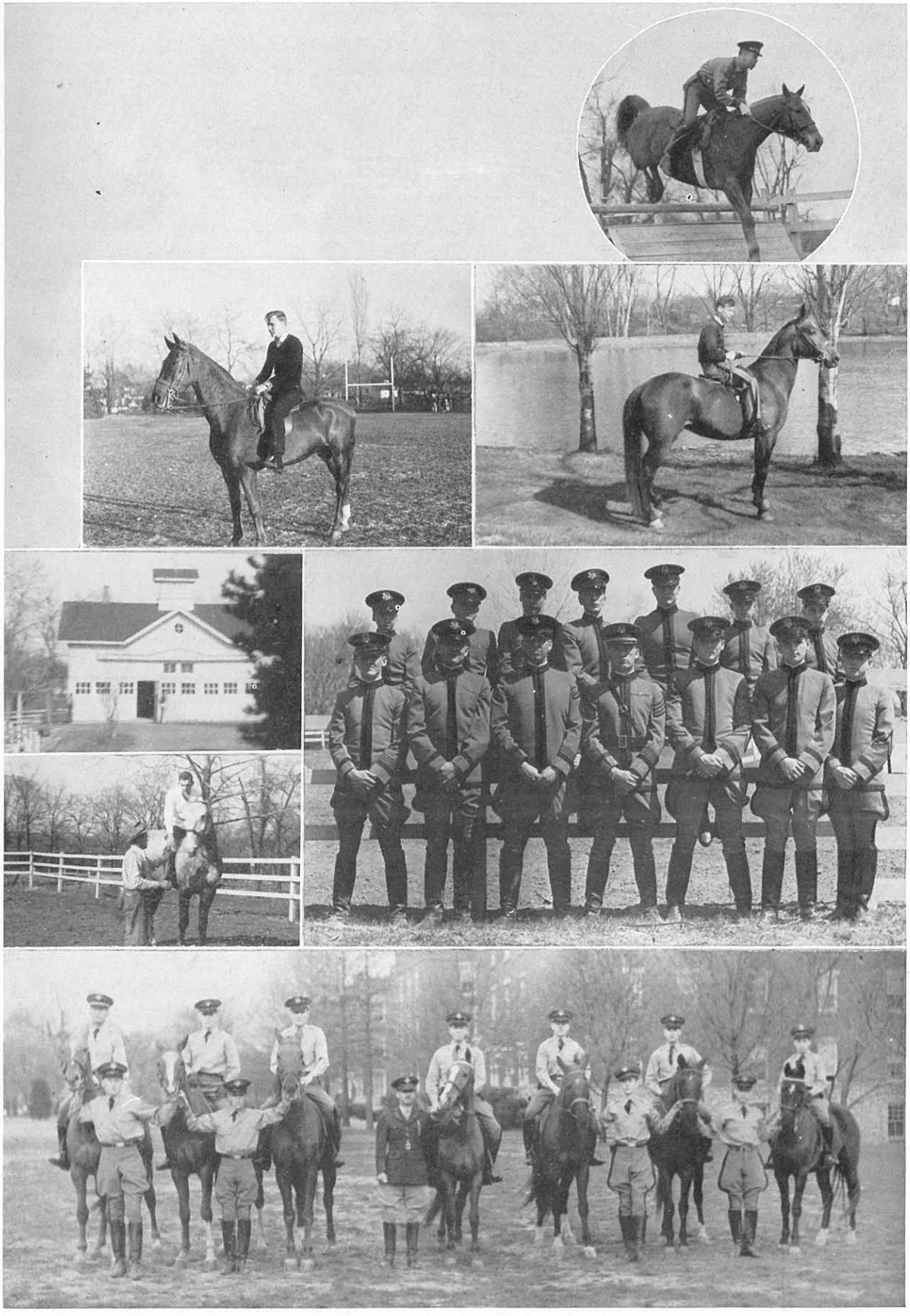
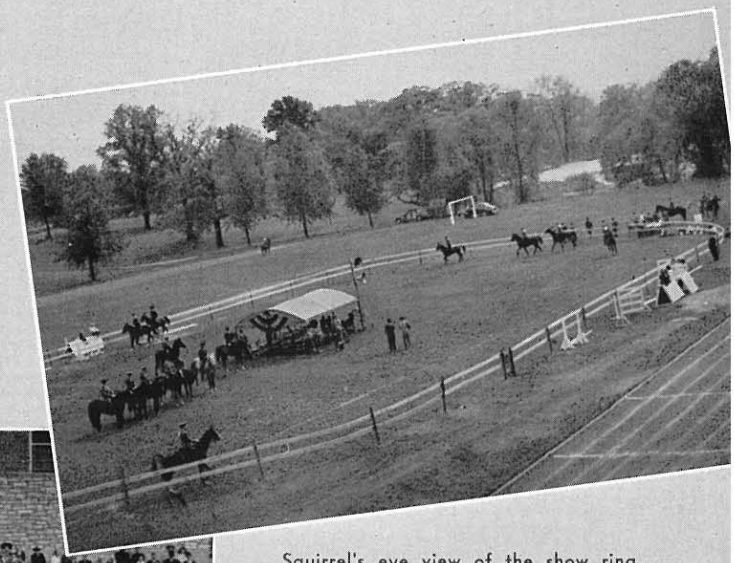


Barry in the saddle.
The barn—favorite hangout.
Walter Laux gives Galvin some pointers.
Raith takes a jump.
Parrish pauses by pond.
Some members of Riding Club—
Col. Moore with some of his star riders.

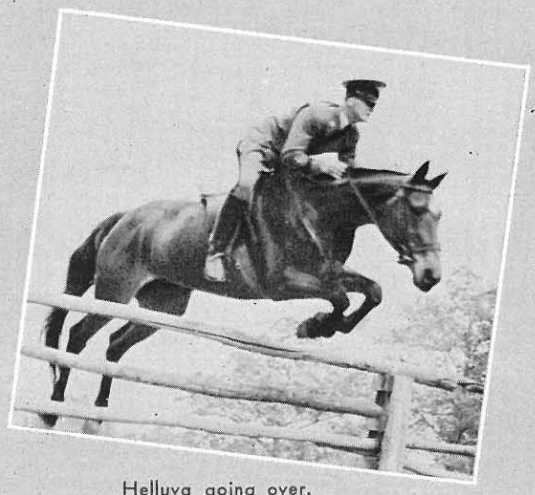
AND FOR THE HORSE SHOW SUNDAY

Fanfare to boots and spurs.



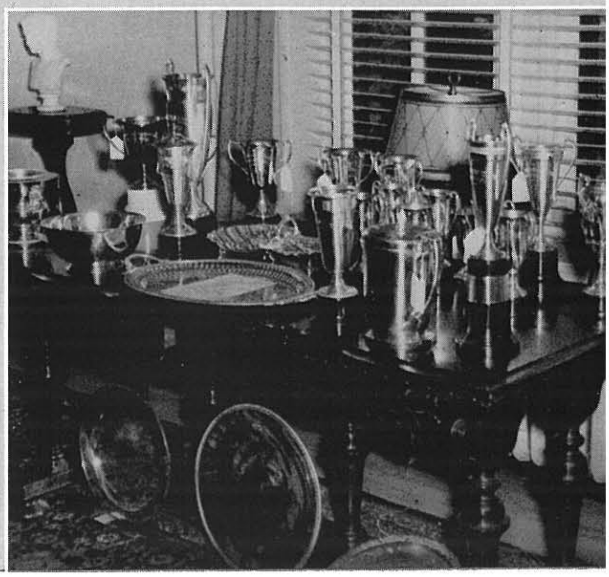
Squirrel's eye view of the show ring.

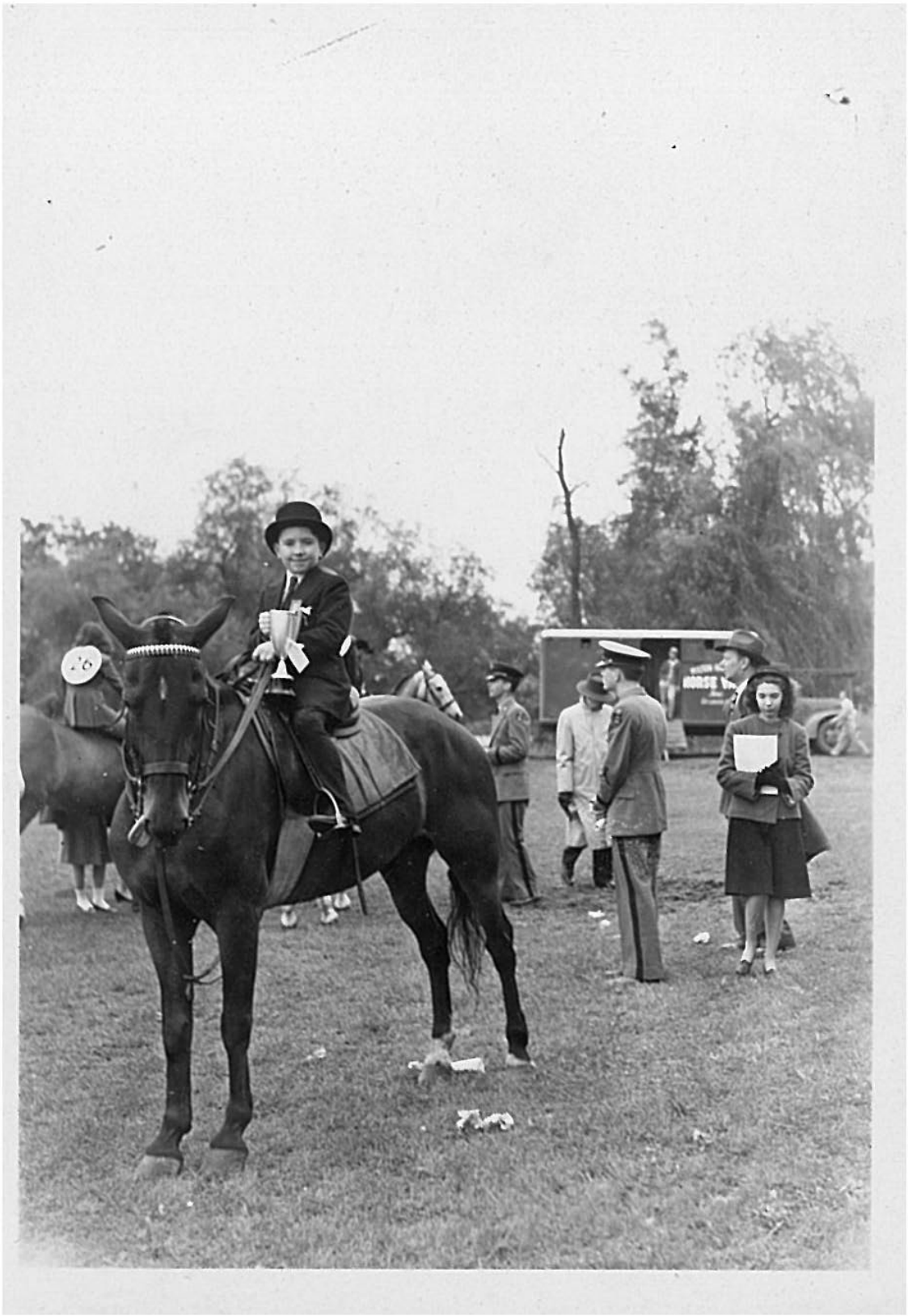
Western riders ride at Western.

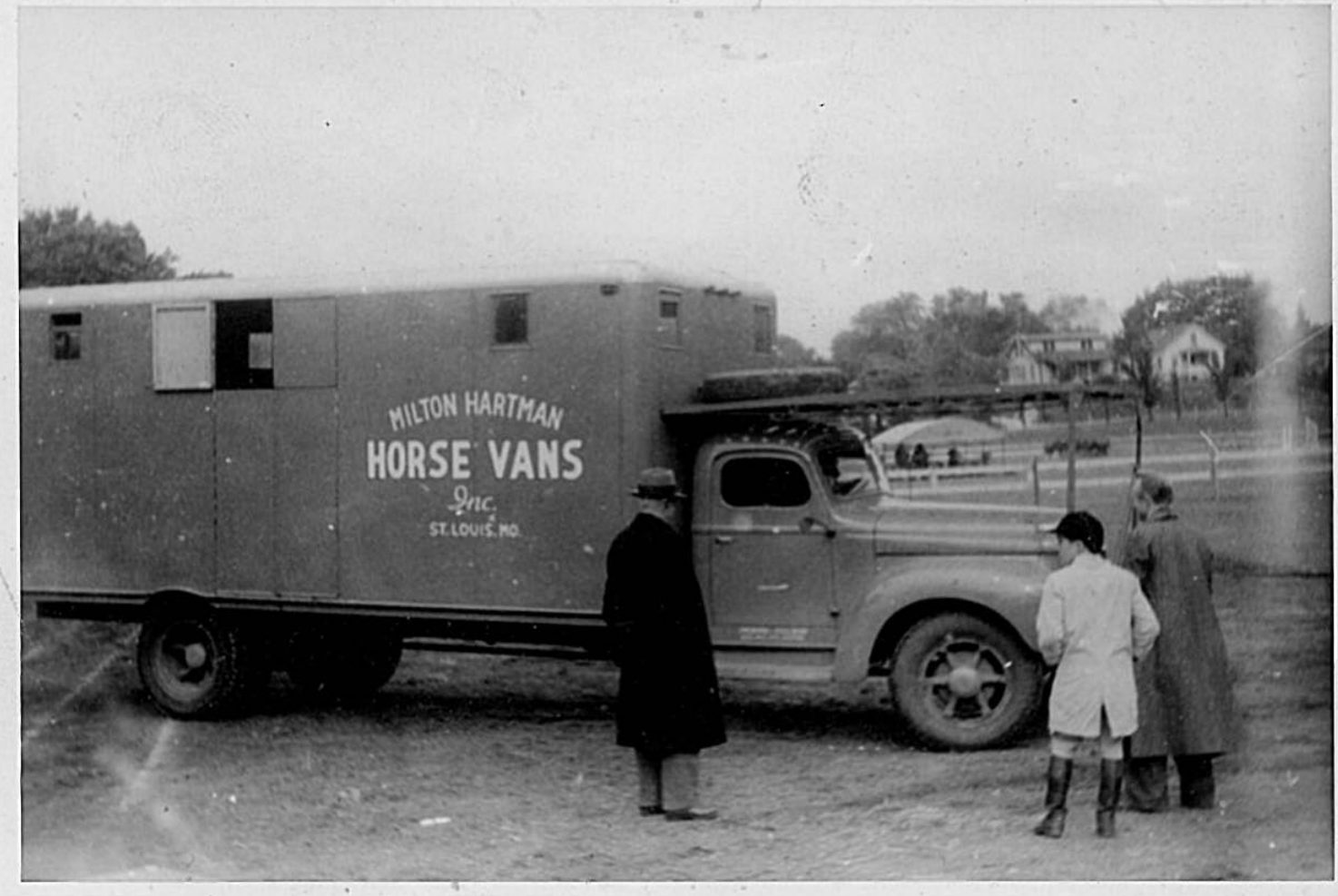


Helluva going over.

The equestrians' dream, come true.



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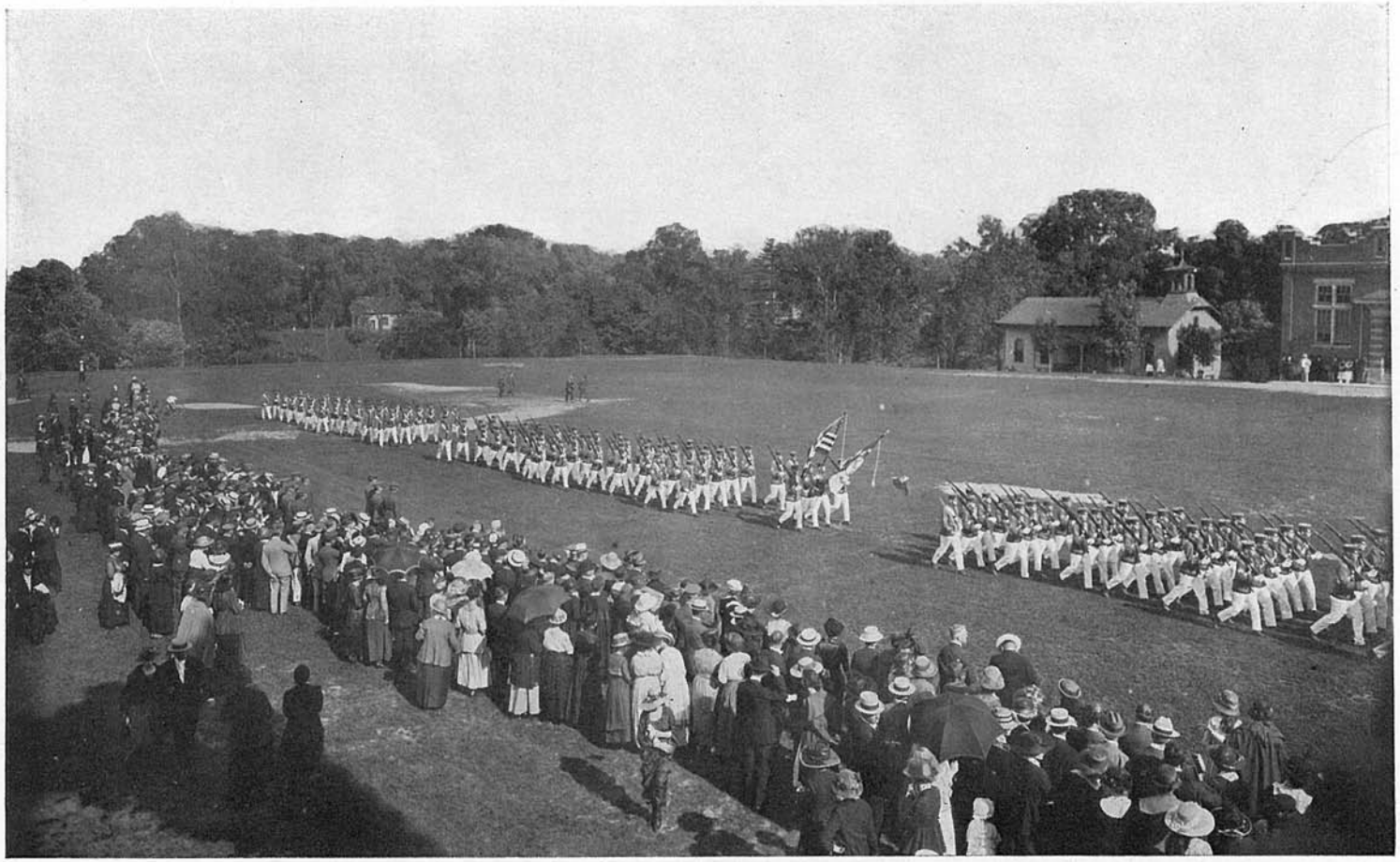

Review—Column of Platoons

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Western Horse Show Sunday Looms As One Of The Biggest Events Of Year

Over One Hundred Riders And Fifty Of The Finest Horses In This Section Will Participate In All-Day Program Of Events

Special Features And Exhibitions Are Expected To Draw 1000 Visitors

Western's first horse show, scheduled from 9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. Sunday, is beginning to loom as one of the really big events of the year as entries pour in and interest rises. Capt. L. L. Doan, who has charge of the arrangements, states that fifty horses and one hundred young riders will appear in over fifteen events. It is not unlikely that from 1000 to 2000 spectators will be present and special plans, including parking lots, are being made to take care of them.

The lower drill field has taken on a new appearance as Walter Laux and his crew have erected a fence around a ring 100 ft. wide and 230 ft. long, a larger arena than the one at the Missouri Stables where the St. Louis Spring Horse Show is held. Major Magee, in charge of seating arrangements, announces that in addition to the regular bleachers extra bleachers will be erected and folding chairs from the gym will be placed alongside the ring.

Prominent Judges

Prominent men in equitation circles will act as judges. Mr. Bernard Schilling, well-known ring-master of St. Louis, will serve in the same capacity for our show. All cadet riders know him as "Barney," and they have a warm place in their heart for him as he always gives the breaks to the riders when he can do so.

Mr. Jacques Hart, recently of Santa Barbara, California, but now of St. Louis, will judge the jumper, hunter, and equitation classes. He has introduced into St. Louis shows advanced equitation and dressage classes, and is very competent to judge school make the gaited classes outstanding.

Special Exhibitions

Special features of the show will be attractive. Mr. Lay Freund and Mr. Joe Althoff have promised five roadsters. These are fast-stepping trotters hitched to "bikes," and when they turn on the speed they provide the high pitch of the show. Cadets will enjoy the roadster exhibition, which is usually seen only at the bigger shows.

A special race over hurdles will also be held between two jumpers and two track men. Who do you think will win? A possible exhibition by Mrs. Margaret Kerchoff's cart and pony will be featured. It is also possible that letters may be awarded to the cadet riding team.

Young Riders To Star

In the school classes, Monticello College will have about twelve horses and fifteen riders. Villa Duchesne of St. Louis will send sixteen riders, captained by Miss Mary Jane Muckerman. Maryville College will send ten riders and Fontbonne College at least four.

Cadet entries in the school equitation classes will include: Parham, Anixter, L., Muentefering, Epsteen, Boutin, Brant, Kaffenberger, Reich, Hamilton, F., Hamilton, J., Bieser, McDougell, Haeussler, Bisch, Kahle, Slack, Rodriguez, Allen, Gottfried, Scott, Ray, Duaei, Keller, R., Herz, Crenshaw, Nelgner, and Reinhard.

To run this show much organization will be needed. The following organization has been completed: Col. R. L. Jackson, chairman, Capt. L. L. Doan, manager, Mrs. L. L. Doan, trophies, Major C. H. Moore, announcer and ring, Major and Mrs. Gray Magee and Major and Mrs. C. L. Persing, reception of guests, Lieut. Theodore Fos-

CAPT. L. L. DOAN
Who Is Promoting Horse Show

Western's Sixth Annual Horse Show Proves To Be Best In History Of School And Provides Many Thrills

Record Crowd of Over 4000 Sees Champion Riders And Horses In Superb Exhibition

By William Lowe

Western Military Academy's Sixth Annual Horse Show last Sunday proved to be the most successful ever held at the school. A crowd approaching 5000 watched a colorful and thrilling all-day program of horsemanship. The weather provided a perfect spring day.

Among the visitors were many celebrities, and among the entries were the best horses and riders of this area. The program moved smoothly on schedule and ended with a full dress parade by the cadet corps.

Eighteen classes were on the program. Silver trophies were presented for first place in each class, as well as ribbons for first, second, third, and fourth places. The trophies were donated by patrons of the school, who, when possible made the presentations. Some cadets and others represented the donors in making the awards.

Many Thrills And Spills

The morning events featured cadets and young riders. Cadet Jennings, G., won a handsome trophy, a bronze horses's head, in the military class. Among visiting exhibitors were many skilled riders. The day was not without thrills. In addition to seeing superb horsemanship, spectators saw three riders take bad spills in jumping events only to remount their horses and courageously continue.

Mr. August A. Busch's champion white hunter, Yankee Doodle, again won two firsts. Other outstanding riders were Jane Grimes, Cheri Hartman, tiny Barbara von Hoffmann, Susanne Jeanette, Ruth Kaufman, James Orthwein, Michael Nester, Mrs. A. A. McMillan, Dick Aitken, and many others. Monticello College had three excellent horsewomen in Elizabeth Olsen, Marjory Gutfreund, and Nell McCuistion. Among the cadets, Gavin, the Jennings brothers, and Jim Greene gave good performances. Hafner unluckily had a fractious horse and had a hard time showing his skill.

Champions Perform

Many prominent St. Louis stables, schools, and individuals entered. The crowd also saw another famous champion, Chico Chief, ridden by J. H. Costello in the Western class, though the lovely Jean Carothers, a lucious blonde in red, was the favorite of many as she rode Corsair's Sancho. Many of the girls showed not only riding skill but beauty as well.

The judging was in capable hands. Col. G. E. Mitchell, U. S. Artillery, a graduate of the U. S. Army Advanced Equitation School and also of the French and Italian schools, judged the hunters and jumpers. Mr. Walter Botkin of Valley Park, Missouri, was the excellent judge of saddle events. Mr. Larry Davidson, president of the Minnesota Palomino Ass'n, judged the Western class. Mr. B. J. Schilling as ringmaster and J. Klein as bugler gave valuable assistance also in judging. Lieut. Biddle was at the mike in the morning and Mr. Frank Doyle, KWK news commentator, took over in the afternoon. Capt. W. H. Green was paddock judge. All of the faculty and cadets helped by serving at the gate, as receptionists, etc. It was a fine example of Western cooperation. Much credit must go to Col. C. H. Moore for lining up and managing a wonderful show and to Mrs. Moore for selecting and taking care of the trophies.

Gift To Capt. Schaff

The Western riding club presented a handsome brief case to Capt. Samuel Schaff in appreciation of his fine work during the year.

Col. Jackson had 185 guests at the exhibitors' luncheon. The day was so full of interest and enjoyment that every event cannot be described. It ended in a blaze of glory when the cadet corps staged a splendid dress parade before the several thousand people who practically surrounded the upper field.

Results

Miltary Class—1st, Cadet Jennings, G. on Trigger; 2nd, Cadet Gavin on

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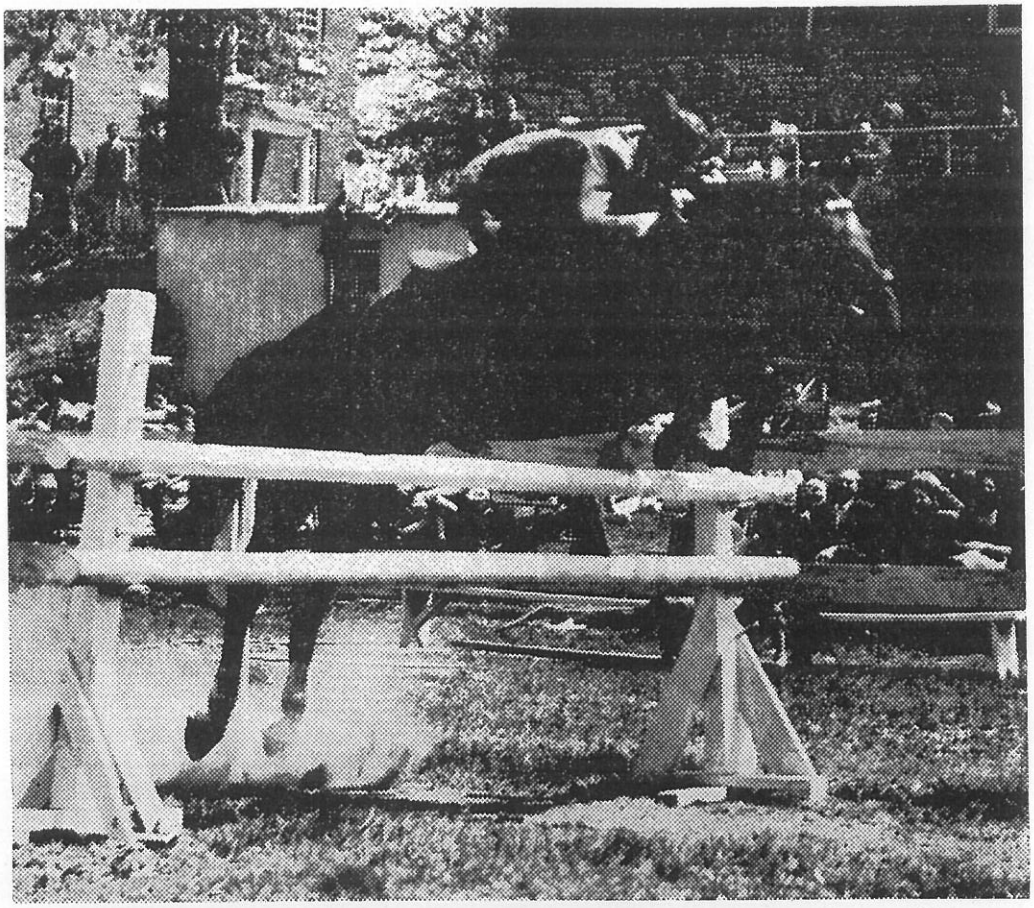

Cadet Jerry Bain on Kayo clears a hurdle at the Western Horse Show.

Spring Horse Show And Patrons' Day Will Not Be Held

Two events are to be omitted at Western this spring because of war conditions and transportation problems.

Western's big spring horse show, one of the outstanding events of its kind, has been canceled. It usually drew several thousand people. However, riding teams have not the trucks or the gasoline to transport horses to Alton this year. Riding at the school continues, and there will be exhibitions and contests among the cadets, but the big show is out for the duration.

Patron's Day, always devoted to entertaining parents of cadets, has also been canceled. Patrons are also restricted in gasoline and trains are crowded. They would also have trouble getting rooms in Alton. It is certain that only a few could attend.

Patrons, however, are especially invited to the Easter program, Sunday afternoon, April 25, to the spring boat trip, May 4, and to commencement.

Horses Available

For cadets who do not wish to sign up for a whole term, horses can be rented for $1.50 per week-day ride or for $3.00 for Saturday afternoon rides.

There are now nine horses in the stables (not counting Amazon's colt), as follows: Cameron Dare, Jane H., Amazon, Dan, Blaze, Gypsy, Lindy, Glenmore, and Tony. Glenmore is a jumping horse which may soon be returned to St. Louis. Tony is a new, five-gaited horse owned by Major Latham. Cameron Dare belongs to Col. Jackson.

Always Thrills

Walter Laux is again stable manager, while Lieut. Doan is riding instructor.

Several boys have had amusing mishaps. Foster, D., forgot to turn a corner with his horse, Josephson finished too fast on the home stretch of the track, Cox did a "Prince of Wales," and Burrows tried to dismount by way of the horse's head but couldn't.

Arvey, Anixter, L., Ruby, and Goldman recently rode as far as Monticello College.

ART CLUB IS MAKING DECORATIONS, SIGNS FOR HORSE SHOW AND DANCE

The Art Club is beginning to come into the spotlight now. Under the direction of Mrs. Gould, the members are making signs and decorations for the Horse Show and they will make many of the decorations for the Junior Prom at commencement.

Partain, G., McIntyre, and Palmer have been especially busy and useful. Work has also been started on the Senior profiles, which will adorn the walls at the final dance.

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Nearly 3000 People Thrilled By Horse Show Here

Western Campus Is Jammed By Throng Of Horse-Lovers

Some Of Finest Riders And Best Horses Of This Area Participate

Western's first horse show last Sunday proved to be a great success and was one of the most outstanding events ever promoted by the school. Nearly 3000 people filled the bleachers, the grassy hillsides, the grove, and other vantage points to watch thrilling displays of horsemanship by 65 exhibitors. Some of the best riders and horses in this section participated, and the fine program drew scores of prominent persons in equitation circles from St. Louis and other cities.

The weather was excellent, the day hazy and warm. The massed hundreds, the riding ring in the center of the field, and the jumping course through the grove formed a colorful picture. Mr. Jacques Harte of St. Louis said, "It is as ideal a setting for a horse show as I ever saw."

Noted Officials

By 9:15 A. M. the program began. A judges' tent in the center ring also housed the trophies, officials, photographers, and a loud-speaker system set up by Eddie Ackerman. This system was very effective. Anouncerite with the crowd. Miss Jeanne Henderson, Miss Pat Freer, Miss Harriet Houston, and Miss Virginia Kiesel of Monticello were also unusually good.

From St. Louis, Miss Agnes Killis on Mountain Aire was brilliant in Three-Gaited events. Miss Mary Pettus thrilled the crowd with her jumping, and the tiny but courageous Mrs. A. L. Harding won the crowd by her sportsmanship and skill in jumping. The Villa Duchesne girls also were great favorites and Misses Joanne Taylor, Geraldine Quinn, Mary Margaret Schultz, Mary Hughes, and Peggy Curran won great applause.

Jack Shinkle of St. Louis gave a fine exhibition of jumping. There were many others, too numerous to mention.

Program Starts

The program began with Cadet Keller, R. winning the Boys' Equitation, Beginners, and with Gottfried receiv-

NOTICE!

Major Persing announces that any cadets who plan to take summer courses should see him at once in order to be sure that their contemplated studies will get full credit at Western. This is important, for some summer courses may not fit in with the subjects that they have taken so far.

Cadet E. Peara Is "Honor Graduate" Of Senior Class, '39

He Is Selected On Account Of All-round Ability In Many Activities

After careful consideration of the records of all seniors, the school authorities have announced that Cadet Edgar C. Peara of Davenport, Iowa, is the "Honor Graduate" of the class of '39. This distinction is based upon the all-round ability in all phases of student activity—academic, military, athletic, social, etc. The honor carries with it an appointment to West Point, if the appointment is available for Western on that particular year.

Recently, Cadet James Parham of East St. Louis, Ill., and Cadet James Hirsch of Pinckneyville, Ill., were named valedictorian and salutatorian respectively. Those honors are based chiefly upon academic superiority.

Peara's record reveals why he was named "Honor Graduate." He is a four-year man and a captain in the battalion. He is a member of the "W" Club, Senior Dance Committee, and the "Recall" staff. He has been active in athletics, winning 3 Prep track letters, 2 Prep soccer letters, 1 Prep football letter, 2 "C" football letters, 1 "B" football letter, 1 "B" soccer let-

Six Cadet Writers Receive Pins From "Quill And Scroll"

Six cadets on the "Shrapnel" staff were accepted as members in the Quill and Scroll, international honorary journalistic society, last week, and their gold pins and certificates were mailed to them. The new members honored were: Cadets Fenton, Hoegen, Gonterman, W., Anixter, L., Zuieback, and Ziegler.

Mr. Edward Nell, executive secretary of the organization, examined articles written by these cadets and wrote a very complimentary letter about their work, as follows:

Dear Captain Hinton:

It is with great pleasure that I announce the admission to Quill and Scroll of the six cadets whose names you have submitted.

I wish also to take this opportunity of commending these new initiates on the excellent scholastic standing which they have maintained.

The samples of their work, and your good recommendations, are more than ample to qualify them for the society's honors. The dramatic criticisms of Carl Ziegler I found especially good. He shows a keen insight into the problems of the stage and presents his copy well. Sheldon Zuieback and Edgar Fenton write with a clear and facile style. Lester Anixter

Social Events Are Held In Connection With Horse Show

Col. Jackson Has Luncheon For Exhibitors And Many Visitors

The horse show Sunday had a brilliant social side. Many prominent visitors were present, as well as scores of fine riders and pretty girls.

At noon, Col. R. L. Jackson entertained all exhibitors at a luncheon at the Canteen Lounge. Guests were:

From St. Louis National Horse Show Committee: Mr. Fred Berkley, Mr. Harry Burkhart, Mr. Colin Westerbeck, Miss Madge Greenwood.

From Bridlespur Hunt Staff: Mrs. Marcelline Kaltenbach, M. F. H., Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kerchoff, Mr. Hart Vance, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Van Raalte.

From Maryville Horse Show Committee: Mrs. Frank P. Griesedieck, Miss Margaret Blewett, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pfeffer, Mr. and Mrs. John Versenel.

Many Visitors

Col. Harry Crea, Commanding Officer of the Sixth Infantry, Jefferson Barracks, and Mrs. Crea, and Maj. Glenn Ross, military head of C. B. C. were also present.

In addition, all exhibitors and offi-

Skilled Riders and Fine Horses Thrill Crowd At Western's Fourth Annual Horse Show

his Year's Event Greater Than All Others In Interest

ecord Entry List Helps Make Brilliant Program Great Success

The fourth annual horse show at stern excelled any previous show the number of entries, events, and phies. Blessed with good weather, l and hazy, the program began at 0 A. M. and did not end until near- 7:00 P. M. The crowd kept shift- all day, but it is estimated that a l of 2000 people attended.

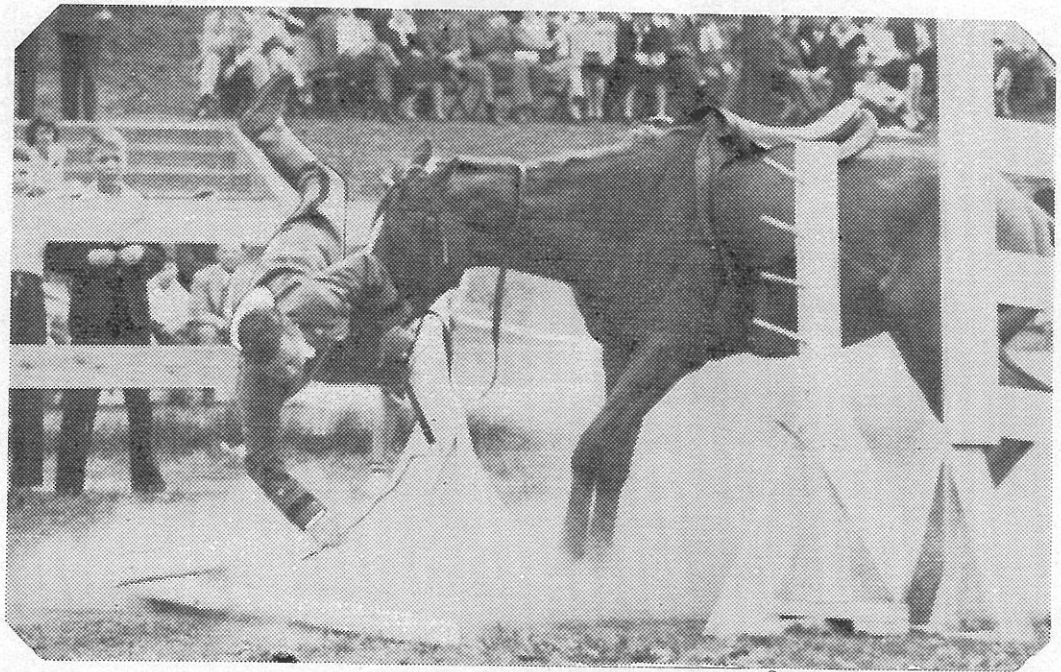
The morning classes were largely young riders. In these events, stern cadets and Monticello Col- e girls won many ribbons. Cadets ker, Raith, Frazier, and Gottfried re outstanding. Gottfried, riding beautiful Tophat from his father's lcrest Stables, finished first in the ited student riders and in the n boys' singles. He later won the ited open and finished third in the d hands and seat to become one of high winners of the day.

Outstanding Riders

Also in the morning program other ellent riders began to emerge; the e, seven-year-old Susan Eberle on ny Boy; Zoe Desloge on Red Man; ncy Jackes on Barney; Ann Desloge Quincy; Mary Eberle, Jean Sims, the Monticello girls, who were al- ys to be reckoned with in the equi- on and gaited classes.

As the day went on, two other rid- came to the front. Lieut. R. J. ck on Plainsman, who has ridden many shows as a cadet, returned to the open jumper, course B, the

Cadet Frazier Takes a Spill But Was Not Hurt



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Knowles, Floyd, Daniels, and others. Floyd on Evening Dew gathered in several ribbons. Knowles took two spills but kept going, and Ann Desloge also had a fall.

Dizzy Dean, ex-Cardinal star, presented one of the trophies. All exhibitors had lunch as guests of Col. Jackson at the Canteen. The cadet battalion made a great hit with a snappy parade. After the show, many riders and exhibitors gathered at the Mineral Springs Hotel, Alton, for dinner.

Committees

The committees and officials who added so much to the success of the show were, as follows: Col. R. L. Eberle on Sonny Boy, St. Louis; 4th, Ann Desloge on Quincy, from Villa Duchesne, St. Louis; 5th, Cadet Knowles on Kayo, from Western Military Academy.

V. Open Boys' Singles.

1st, Cadet Gottfried on Tophat, owned by Hillcrest Stables; 2nd, Victor Strauss on Brandy, from Barat Hall; 3rd, Larry Carp on Hal, from the Taylor School, St. Louis; 4th, Cadet Baker on Stardust, Western Military Academy; 5th, Cadet Degenhardt on Mike, Western Military Academy.

VI. Open Girls' Singles.

1st, Peggy McIntyre on Boots, St. Louis; 2nd, Nancy Jackes on Barney, St. Louis; 3rd, Susan Eberle on Sonny Crusty and Myrtle Cook on Nightmare, Monticello College; 5th, Nancy Jackes on Barney and Mary Eberle on Sonny Boy, St. Louis.

IX. Green Jumpers.

1st, Robert Mertz on Superstitious, from Sunny Down; 2nd, Cadet Floyd on Evening Dew, Western Military Academy; 3rd, Cadet Daniels on Helluva, Western Military Academy; 4th, Zoe Desloge on Safe Play, St. Louis; 5th, S. P. Davison on Clipper, St. Louis.

X. Working Hunter.

1st, Lieut. R. J. Slack on The Plainsman, St. Louis; 2nd, Tommy Allen on Blackjack, St. Louis; 3rd, Mary Eberle on Henry Star, St. Louis; 4th, S. P. St. Louis; 4th, Cadet Floyd on Evening Dew, Western Military Academy; 5th, Gene Laux on Kayo, Alton, Ill.

XIV. Three-Gaited Open.

1st, Cadet Gottfried on Tophat, Hillcrest Stables; 2nd, Polly Cuby on Nightmare, Monticello College; 3rd, Myrtle Cook on Carolina Moon, Monticello College; 4th, Ruth Sweezy on Upper Crust, Monticello College; 5th, Betty Van Dusen on Rexall, Monticello College.

XVI. Roadsters Under Saddle.

1st, Ken Maurer on Frisco Maid; 2nd, Joe Allhoff on Senator Minton; 3rd, Charles Crabtree on Lady Lyon; 4th, Doug Sapper on Gangway; all from St. Louis.

XVI. Western Parade Horses.

1st, John Volz on Flash and Bern Gregory on Streak; 3rd, Charles Fisher on Monte; 4th, Martha Volz on Silver Blaze; 5th, William Wolff on Boy; all from St. Louis (Special exhibition).

XVII. Good Hands and Seat.

First Heat: 1st, Nancy Jackes on Barney, St. Louis; 2nd, Susan Eberle on Sonny Boy, St. Louis; 3rd, Barbara Burrus on Yankee, Monticello College; 4th, Beverley Wolfe on Upper Crust, Monticello College.

Second Heat: 1st, Jean Sims on Christmas Time, Country Club Stables; 2nd, Cadet Gottfried on Tophat, Western Military Academy; 3rd, Peggy McIntyre on Brandy, St. Louis; 4th, Diana Davidson on Patty Lou Dare, St. Louis.

Finals: 1st, Nancy Jackes on Barney, St. Louis; 2nd, Jean Sims on Christmas Time, St. Louis; 3rd, Cadet Gottfried on Tophat, Western Military Academy; 4th, Susan Eberle on Sonny Boy, St. Louis; 5th, Peggy McIntyre on Brandy, St. Louis.

XVIII. Open Hunter, Outside

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Officials were: Mr. Chester Roberts, St. Louis, hunters and jumpers; Mr. Tom Fish, Taylorville, Ill., saddle and equitation; Sergt. C. N. Tarter, paddock judge; Mr. B. J. Schilling, St. Louis, ringmaster; Mr. Johnny Klein, St. Louis, bugler.

Results

1. Military Class—

1st, Cadet Baker on Stardust; 2nd, Cadet Barry on Boots; 3rd, Cadet Scofield on Brandy; 4th, Cadet Harrington on Billie; 5th, Cadet Degenhardt on Hookey—All from Western Military Academy.

II. Novice Boys' Singles Open.

1st, Victor Strauss on Brandy, from Barat Hall; 2nd, Cadet Baker on Stardust, from Western Military Academy; 3rd, Cadet Frazier on Mike, from Western Military Academy; 4th, Cadet Harrington on Hal, from Western Military Academy; 5th, Cadet Greene on Buck, from Western Military Academy.

III. Three-Gaited Student Riders.

1st, Cadet Gottfried on Tophat, owned by Hillcrest Stables; 2nd, Jean Sims on Christmas Time, from Country Club Stables, St. Louis; 3rd, Betty Van Dusen on Carolina Moon, from Monticello College; 4th, Mary Englehart on Nightmare, Monticello College; 5th, Sally Witty on Rexall, from Monticello College.

IV. Student Jumper Open.

1st, Cadet Raith on Jerry H., from Western Military Academy; 2nd, Cadet McDougell on Headgear, from Western Military Academy; 3rd, Mary Ann Desloge on Quincy, from Villa Duchesne, St. Louis; 5th, Cadet Knowles on Kayo, from Western Military Academy.

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VII. Open Jumper, Course B.

1st, Lieut, R. J. Slack on The Plainsman, St. Louis, and Tommy Allen on Arizona, St. Louis (two trophies); 3rd, Cadet Frazier on Lovebird, Western Military Academy; 4th, Ralph Fleming on Satan, St. Louis; 5th, Cadet Raith on Jerry H., Western Military Academy.

VIII. Student Pairs.

1st, Dorothy Dennis on Lady G. and Beth Dennis on Seville, Monticello College (two first trophies) also Sue McIntyre on Boots and Peggy McIntyre on Brandy, St. Louis; 3rd, Marcella Coleman on Carolina Moon and Jean Bromwich on Yankee, Monticello College; 4th, Sue Vesper on mare, Monticello College; 5th, Nancy Jackes on Barney and Mary Eberle on Sonny Boy, St. Louis.

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XII. Roadster Stake.

1st, Ken Maurer with Frisco Maid, St. Louis; 2nd, Doug Sapper with Gangway, St. Louis; 3rd, Joe Allhoff with Senator Minton, St. Louis; 4th, Charles Crabtree with Lady Lyon, St. Louis.

XIII. Fault and Out.

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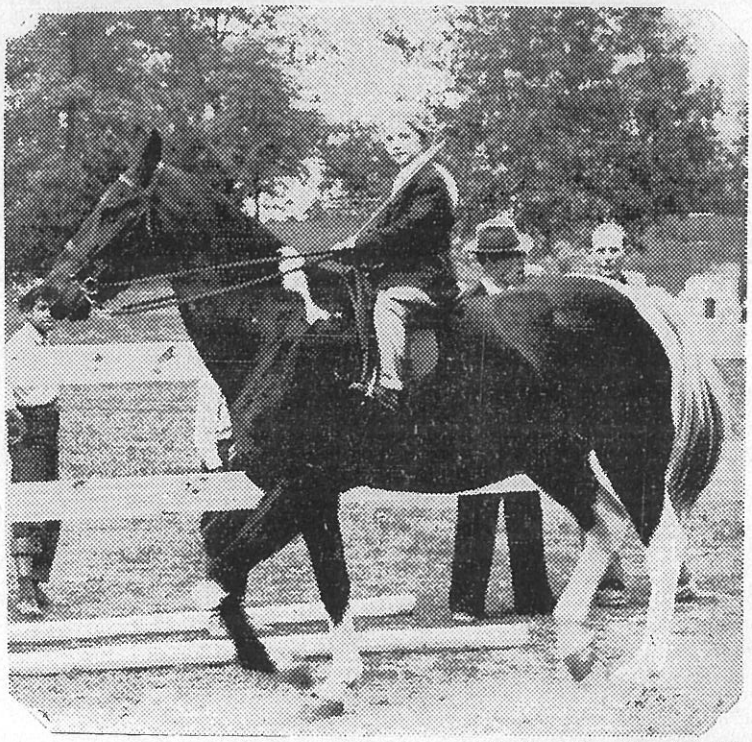

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SUSAN EBERLE, cute winner in the horse show, who always replied, "I'm theven years old."

Horse Show Is Set On May 10 And Will Climax Three Days

Weekend, May 8, 9, 10, Brings Boat Trip, Patrons' Day, And Horse Show

In the past, the Western Horse Show has been one of the biggest drawing cards of the year. It is one of the largest in this area and usually attracts several thousand people. This year the crowd should be bigger, for the show will take place on Sunday, May 10, the day following Patrons' Day. Many parents will no doubt stay a day longer.

The entries will include horses and riders from Monticello, Lindenwood, Maryville, and other schools from St. Louis.

The following events will be included: novice jumpers, hunters, jumpers, three-gaited classes, five-gaited classes, and several classes for student riders which will be judged on riding ability. The final event will be the hunters running the outside course through the grove.

There will be a change in the time allowed for the show. It will be held in the afternoon only, starting around 1:30 and continuing to 5:00. As usual, the dress parade by the battalion will close the program. Heretofore, the show began in the morning and continued all day, but most of the spectators never arrived until the afternoon.

Big Weekend

As it appears now, that weekend will be the biggest of the year except for commencement.

The spring boat excursion down the Mississippi past St. Louis is set for Friday, May 8.

Saturday will be the annual Patrons' Day in honor of parents of cadets. A brilliant program is being prepared, including a baseball game, a tennis match, a track meet, a riding exhibition, a swimming acquacade, and a

Spring Horse Show To Draw Thousands Of Visitors Here

Event Sunday Will Present Best Horses And Riders Of Area In Colorful Program

Western's Seventh Annual Horse Show, Sunday, May 9, will again be one of the outstanding events of the spring, according to present indications. Everything is in readiness. The show ring is being constructed upon the lower field. Trophies have been ordered. Entries have been pouring in. If the weather is fair, several thousand people will attend this gala event on the campus.

Many of the riders and horses who appeared in the recent Maryville Show and Trails End Show in St. Louis will be present. Various schools have entered teams. Cadet riders will compete in many of the events.

Special Features

Col. Moore has already received word that Col. August A. Busch of St. Louis is entering several of his championship horses, including the white jumper, "Yankee Doodle". A special feature will be an exhibition by the famous matched white pony team and coach of the Curtis Candy Company. This outstanding attraction will come here from Chicago.

The program will last all day from 9:30 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. Col. Jackson will give a luncheon for exhibitors at the canteen. The cadet corps will close the day with a full dress parade.

In a way, it will be like another Government Inspection. With several thousand visitors on the campus, the school and cadets will be on trial as hosts.

Program Of Events

The competitive program will include 16 events, as follows: (1) Military Class, (2) Novice Boys' Singles, (3) Novice Girls' Singles, (4) Good Hands Class, (5) Open Boys' Singles,

Capt. Doan Tells Riding Plans For Western Horsemen

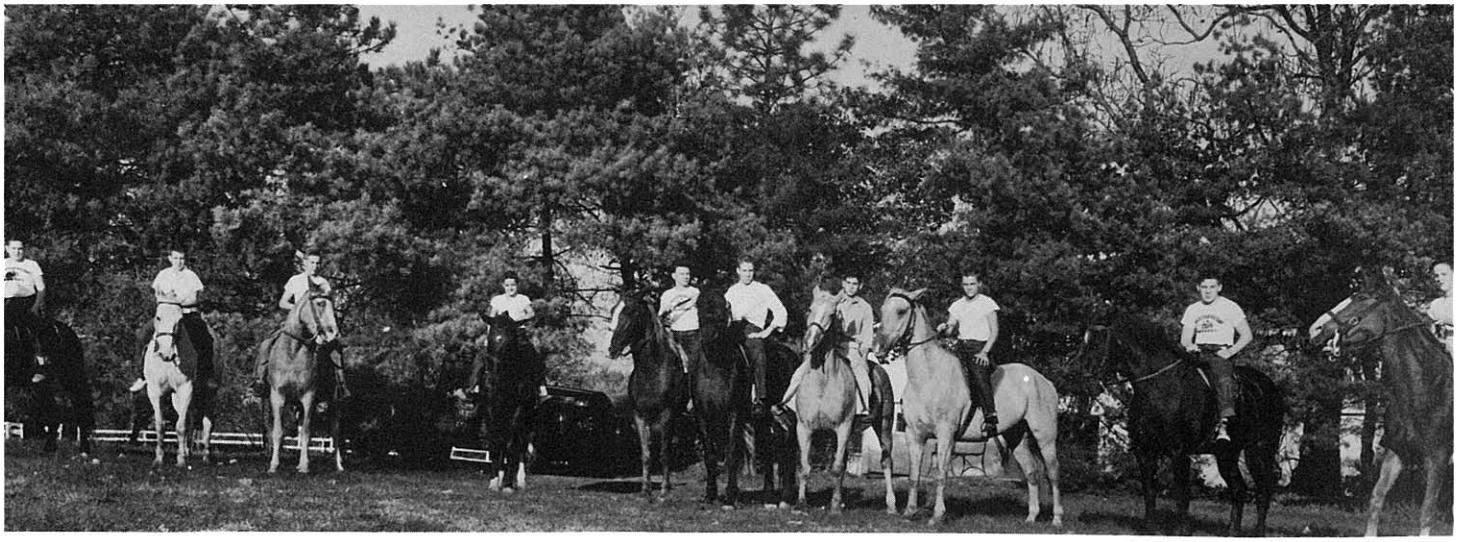
Maryville Show As Well As Other Events Loom In Near Future

Monday evening Capt. L. L. Doan called a meeting of all cadets interested in either spring riding or entering the Maryville Horse Show.

Capt. Doan attended an executive meeting which planned for the show in St. Louis last week. The dates for the show have been set for April 20, 21, and 22. He said that three boys' schools have already entered and are preparing now for the competition. Therefore, he is eager for cadet riders to start training.

An interesting feature this year will be a party for all contestants to be held in St. Louis before the show so that all may get acquainted. Only nine weeks remain before the big event, and Capt. Doan has set up a schedule in order to accomplish the greatest good.

The Riding Club also has many other interesting plans for the near future. A group hopes to take an all-day ride to Clifton Terrace Sunday. Rides to Monticello and parties with the girls there are also being arranged. The club members voted to have a dinner-dance party at the canteen sometime before the Maryville Show.



Out for a Sunday ride? Nope, just posing for the RECALL picture!

JOCKEYS - AND DISC JOCKEYS

WMAR - ON THE AIR! A clever group of students set up their own radio station in the basement of "D" Barracks. (LEFT TO RIGHT): Birenbaum spins the discs, Palen directs, and Kurtz reads the news.

Station WBIG Is Now Operating

By Reynolds

Earlier in the year an illegal radio station, Radio Free "C" Barracks, was broadcasting on the campus. It was silenced by Col. Moore and the FCC. Now it is back on the air legally as WBIG, the BIG station at W.M.A., directed by the Roman Broadcasting Company, Roman and Parsons.

The station is for the pleasure of the cadets. It will make their announcements and play their requests —please, no "Beatles". It also will try to boost morale and introduce cadets to good jazz. It broadcasts on 1600 frequency after 7 p.m. with Roman and Zahn as disc jockeys. It will be on in the mornings if listeners want it.

At present WBIG is holding a contest. Anyone who can read the poem, "Hallmark," without making five mistakes will receive 50 cents. The prize increases a penny with each failure. Cadets may compete from 7:00 until C.Q. in the station, except those living in "C" Barracks. For them the contest is in the study hall.

WMAS RADIO WEEKLY PROGRAM

by Dinsmore, T.

WMAS was off the air for several nights. This was due to technical difficulties. Some of the equipment that is supposed to be working is being reassembled.

Starting Monday night, the week's schedule was, as follows:

Mon., 6:45 — Tops with Tom.

Tues., 6:45 — Satchmo plays it hot and cool.

Wed., 6:45 — Tops with Tom.

Thurs., 6:45 — Satchmo plays it hot and cool.

Fri., 6:45 — Tops with Tom.

Sat., 7:45 — Satchmo plays it hot and cool.

Radio Station WMA Opens At Western

Stop! Turn that dial to 1500 kilocycles on your radio and tune in to station WMA, atop the third floor of "D" Barrack. The station was opened last Friday morning and within a few hours became a raging success.

The person most responsible for this new benefit and pleasure to the cadet corps is Cadet Orgel. He is a master electrician and has created a popular thing.

WMA offers principally a musical program but caters to dedications, announcements, etc.

The time schedule is tentative but a better one will be worked out in the near future. It can be heard at the following times at present: Sunday, 9:00 A. M. to 12:40 P. M. and 1:30 to 3:30 P. M.; Monday thru Friday, 7:30 to 7:45 A. M.; Saturday, 7:30-8:10 A. M., 1:30 to 5:00 P. M., and at conveniant times during the evening. Every day excepting Saturday: 7:00 to 7:45 P. M., 9:10 to 9:30 P. M.

From 7:00 to 7:40 every evening, THE WMA FIRST FIVE will be played. From a poll daily, these rerecords will be chosen. Cadets wishing to hear their favorite tunes are requested to hand their selections to Cadet Farish or Cadet Orgel eevry morning before eight o'clock. If you want to enter a selection don't forget to do that before eight, as the poll will be made up shortly after that for that evening.

WMAS In Stereo!

Last-minute technical improvements in the station equipment of WMAS have made it possible to broadcast stereo on the transmitters of WMAS AM and FM. To listen to these programs, place the FM receiver on the LEFT. Tune this receiver to WMAS-FM, 105.5 mc. On the right place an AM receiver tuned to WMAS-AM, 590 kc. These receivers should be placed about eight feet apart and aimed to form a triangle with the listener as the third point.

When this arrangement is completed, the stereo programs broadcast on WMAS will take on a depth and breadth unimaginable to anyone who has not heard stereo before. The strings will appear to come from the left speaker, the brass from the center, and percussion from the right. With good quality receiving equipment, the in-person realism is complete. Since the AM transmitter transmits the fulls range of music, the quality on both channels is very good.

"Rockin' Rob" Invades WMAS

Gone is the day of the Mad Scientist on WMAS. Bob Bodkin is at the mike of WMAS, spinning platters, jokes and other things.

This next Saturday morning Pauline Dormann will star in Radio Free Moscow in a crack(ed) expose of army life. Included will be Sgt. Neumann J. Smythe and Col. Denziel P. Clodd, coming direct from Ft. Clodd. The trouble starts when a leftist reporter (Charlov) invades the fort. This program will be presented by Old Mice Men's Reodorant with that tangy goo of cosmoline.

Next week's RFM will deal with the bloody Red Square in Moscow. This is when Nikita is purged, and is awaiting the train to the salt mines. The expose for the next Saturday, the morning of the Military Ball, will deal with the dance in a sadistic manner.

The schedule of WMAS, through tape, has been expanded to include all of Saturday morning.

The staff is as follows: Rob Bodkin, announcer, C. Forsberg, technician and manager, Ted Millman, Dave Jacobs, assistant announcers, and Pauline Dormann, guest announcer.

The standard broadcast (AM) dial setting is 590 kc. The FM is 105.5 mc.

WMAS Is Back On The Air Waves

by Charles Forsberg

After a surprisingly short delay, Western's radio station, WMAS, is back on the air. The announcers and technicians will continue tryouts until everybody who has a real desire gets a chance.

Live performances are welcome, as they present a variety as compared to records. There will be a coverage of world news and also happenings on the campus. There may also be a coverage of football games that are played off the campus. Weather reports for this area will be broadcast.

Any records or equipment donated will be gratefully accepted. Be sure that your name is on all records donated so that you will get them back.

The schedule will be as follows: from 5:30 C.Q. to evening mess, 6:45 to study hall, and to 9:30 every Friday. The frequency is 790 kilocycles. This is between KXOK and KFUO.

New Facilities Promise Better WMAS Programs

By Forsberg

After less than a week, WMAS, the Western radio station, is again on the air. The frequency is again 590 kilocycles. That is the only correct setting, as any other setting will cause distorted or fuzzy sound. This is between 55 and 60 on most radios.

On Friday night, Sept. 16, Bud Erickson, W.M.A. sports reporter, will give a pre-game commentary on the first varsity football game of the year. Saturday morning the "Radio Free Moscow" series will be resumed. This program is a "mad" treatment of happenings in Russia and around here.

Feature interviews with people in the local news will be broadcast. This will be possible because the station has two tape recorders, one of which is portable.

By a special contract, the College Avenue Thrifty Drug Store will furnish up-to-the-minute popular records for music on WMAS.

Other leading merchants of Upper Alton also support the station by advertising, such as Pres's Market, Alton Hardware and Paint Company, the De Luxe Cafe, Thrifty Drug Stores, and the Uptown Theater, whose movies are announced over WMAS.

Two Stations Now Compete On Radio— WMAS And WVMC

By Forsberg

The latest theme for Western radio is competition. A new station, WVMC (Western Venezuela Mexico Cuba) is on the air with programs primarily for Latin American students. This station transmitter is an old Philco, slightly converted. The range includes "B", "C", and "D" Barracks, but the reception in "A" and "E" is marginal. Jim Young, WVMC technician, hopes to increase the range soon. Others on this station are Alan Segur, Charles Wonderlin, and Ed Guada. Their studio is in the closet of Room C-4. Programs will be from 7:00 to 7:55 nightly (to 9:30 Friday nights), and 7:30-8:45 Saturday mornings.

WMAS has settled down to a comprehensive schedule. It is concentrating on better programs and more power. New equipment has been added to cover the whole campus, including "F" Barracks.

The Community Music Center and the Thrifty Drug Stores are providing music. These records are providing WMAS with the best recorded music. These records are transcribed on tape, so there is no annoying record scratch.

Some features are "Radio Free Moscow" and some interviews. In the planning stage is "Monti News Capsule," recorded at Monticello. Also it is hoped that a remote pickup system for broadcasting games away from the campus can be started.

The WMAS staff: Jacobs, external affairs and technician; O'Daniel, announcer; Serkes, asst. announcer; Erickson, sports; Forsberg, technician announcer, and advertising.

MISS MOSS TO APPEAR ON WMAS

By Forsberg

The happy news for this week is that "Miss Moss" is returning to the air. This fills a wide gap in WMAS programs which has existed for some time. She will appear in Radio Free Moscow, which is presented on Saturday mornings at 8:30. Miss Moss in this critical expose will discuss the positive values of life in an in an indirect way.

Modifications of the WMAS operating procedure have recently been made. The station now has a much clearer tone. A remote transmitter system is planned to provide WMAS with news coverage of events occurring in and around the campus.

Friday night will bring the music festival hour from 8:30 to 9:30 featuring jazz and folk music. Planned for next Friday night are Skip Martin with "Sounds and Songs from the Era of the Untouchables" and the Dukes of Dixieland.

Because of the dancing classes the Saturday night program has been dropped. Otherwise the hours are 8:00 --9:30 Saturday mornings, 7:00--7:55 on evenings, except Saturday (to 9:30 Friday night).

WMAS staff members are: Jacobs, Kirby, Scott, internal communications; O'Daniel, Millman, Brooks, announcers; Forsberg, manager.

WMAS Adds FM And Sports Department

By Forsberg

Recently added to the equipment of WMAS is an FM transmitter. It broadcasts on 105.5 megacycles with a range of about two miles. FM has the advantge of being immune from interference.

This week's Radio Free Moscow will feature a view of life in the "real" army. What army this will be is not certain, but they do have a time at training. Coming direct from Fort Clodd, WMAS will bring a true picture of life in the Army of Hypothetics.

For the past few weeks WMAS has been broadcasting home basketball games in preparation for the games away from home. These broadcasts have been from the balcony of the field house by means of a walkie talkie. Preparations are now being made to air games away from home, beginning tomorrow. All that is needed now is the school's permission.

The WMAS sports department, headed by Bud Foss, has a daily program at 7:20 p.m. when games are played. This program of five minutes gives news of the games and all sports. The program is presented by Alton Hardware and Paint Co., which carries all sports equipment.

The WMAS staff includes Chuck Forsberg, Dave Jacobs, Bud Foss, Ted Millman, Darryl Slater, and guest announcer, Sheryl Myers. All others are asked to stay out of the station.

The schedule:

Saturday mornings — 8:00 to inspection call. Radio Free Moscow at 9:00. Also some A-FM tunes.

Evening — 7:00 to 7:45. Sports at 7:20 to 9:15 Friday nights.

Frequency 590 kilocycles standard broadcast, 105.5 megacycles FM.

WMAS Station Adds Monticello To Audience

by C. Forsberg

If present experiments are successful, WMAS radio station will have the complement of Baldwin Hall as part of its listening audience. The remote equipment has already been built and checked out on the W.M.A. campus, and it will be installed in Baldwin Sunday.

However, there are many technical and practical problems to be solved. The success of this system depends on the power of the FM transmitter and antenna system. Attempts to raise the height of the FM antenna have thus far been unsuccessful. If there is not sufficient signal at the remote location, the remote transmitter will not operate properly.

An FM tuner will pick up the signal of WMAS-FM, 100.3 MC. This will then be fed to a low-power transmitter which will operate on the standard broadcast band. This second frequency has not been determined yet.

It is hoped that the cost of the operation can be sustained by advertising from merchants which serve the Monticello students.. If this type of financing is not practical, it may be impossible to operate the system. If it is successful, a similar unit may also be installed in Haskell some time next year.

The programs on WMAS will continue until about one week before the termination of this school year. Frequencies are 590 KC and 100.3 MC.

WMAS Radio Fails To Contact Monti

By Chuck Forsberg

Plans of Western's radio station WMAS to include Monticello in the broadcasts by r e m o t e transmitter proved to be impractical after experiments. The station's FM signal is not powerful enough to provide a high quality of transmission over at Monti.

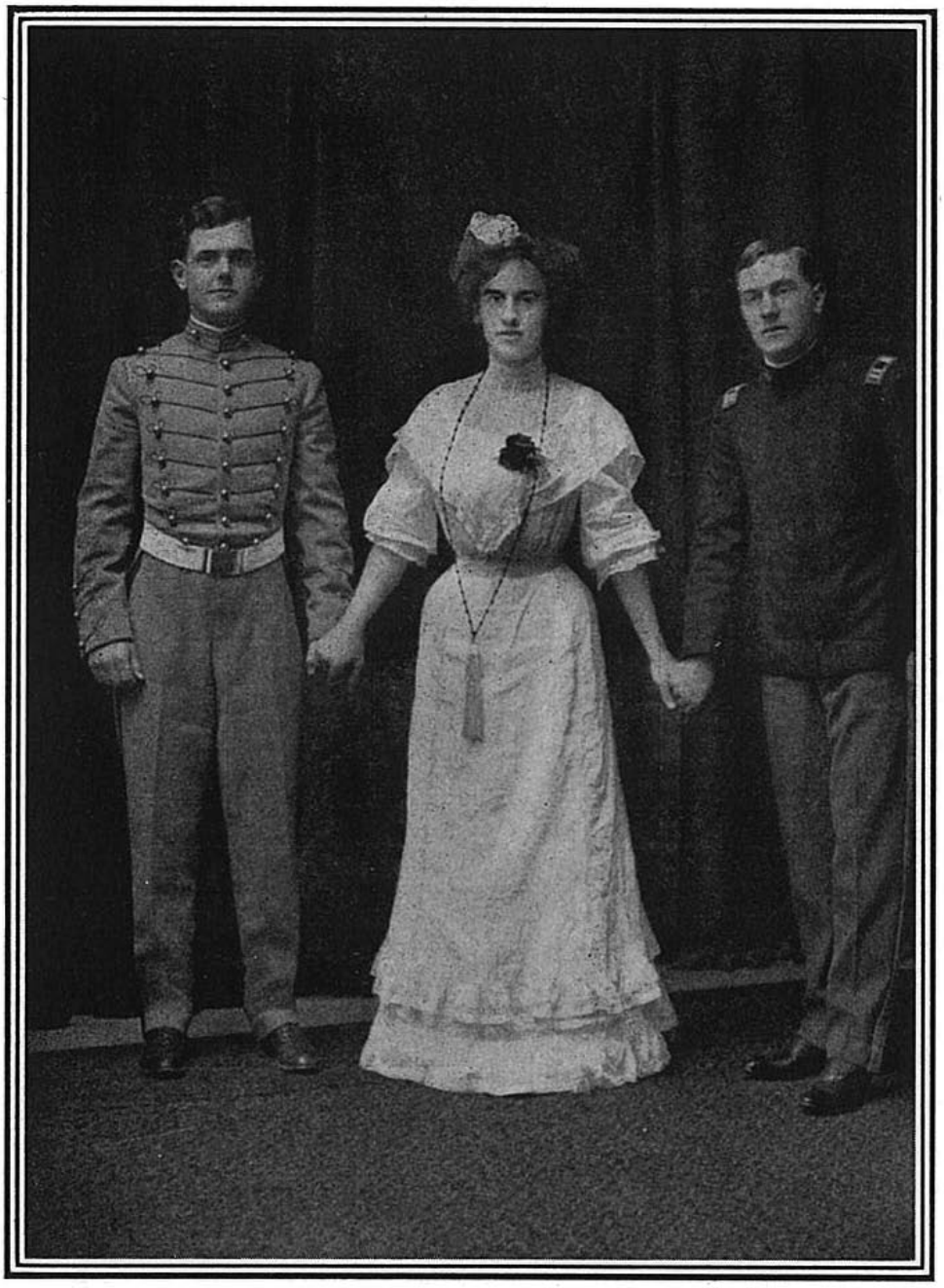
Another method of sending programs to Monticello would be by radio loop, using lines rented from the telephone company. This is too expensive. The WMAS staff wishes to thank those who gave time and effort to the radiation experiment.

Next Saturday morning WMAS will feature the last of the series of "Wisdom on the Loose." The "piece de resistance" this time will be "An Ode to Bacchus." This concerns an election between the Republigods and the Demigods — Greek or Trojan, whichever one chooses. After the election Richard M. Bacchus and his running mate, Henry Cabot Zorch (to handle the thunderbolts) are assassinated.

Also to be included will be the Better Beatniks Association. The two subjects were designed for utmost incompatability.

The last WMAS program of the year will be on Friday night, May 19. A special will be scheduled for that time.

Colonel ALBERT M. JACKSON,
Superintendent.



Cadets R. L. JACKSON, W. BARNHART and C. L. MARTIN,
in sketch, "A West Point Episode."

50 Years Ago

May 28, 1895

Western Military Academy cadets under command of Col. Willis Brown, Major Max Von Binzer, and Lt. Hancock were encamped at Spanish Lake and from that point were to march to a point near Forest Park, St. Louis, to remain until Memorial Day when they were scheduled to visit Jefferson Barracks. From Alton the cadets went by the Burlington train to Ft. Bellefontaine, and there began real soldier life with a hike carrying light equipment. Commencement exercises of the academy were to be on June 12 in Upper Alton Baptist Church. Alton City Band had been retained to provide music on the academy grounds.

A group of Alton horse lovers were talking of

50 Years Ago

June 11, 1896

Commencement exercises of Western Military Academy were of special interest to residents of the Altons for the reason that they marked a change in ownership of the school. With the completion of the school year, Col. Willis Brown was stepping aside as head of the academy, and new administrators, headed by Col. A. M. Jackson, were taking over. Brown, a retired banker, had acquired the school, known as Wyman Institute, shortly after death of the founder, gradually enlarging it, and finally changing the name. In the last year, Col. Jackson and Prof. George D. Eaton had held more or less complete charge of the educational program. Hundreds of visitors flocked to the academy for the graduation of the 1896 class of eight cadets. Alton City Band provided music. After exercises in the gymnasium, where the Rev. Dr. A. A. Kendrick, former president of Shurtleff, made the address, the student corps engaged in exhibition drills, concluded by dress parade and award of military trophies.

Several passengers received minor injury when a trailer attached to an Upper Alton trolley car jumped the tracks shortly after taking on a crowd of guests from the W.M.A. commencement. One of the passengers, I. C. Howe of Lawrence, Kan., a member of the cadet graduating class, jumped from the trailer just after it left the rails and suffered a broken collarbone.

25 Years Ago

June 6, 1919

Forty-three members of Western Military Academy's graduating class received their diplomas from Major General Leonard Wood after commencement week activities that included an elaborate concert featuring Miss Irene Elder, soprano, and Mitchell Petruzza, violinist, with the school band, glee club, and orchestra.

MRS. JENNIE B. JACKSON, who died Wednesday at the age of 84.

Mrs. J. Jackson Dies at Age 84

Widow of Co-Founder of Western M. A.

Mrs. Jennie B. Jackson, 84, widow of Col. Albert Matthews Jackson, co-founder and late president of Western Military Academy, died Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. in St. Joseph's Hospital. She had been in failing health for about a year, but did not become critically ill until a week ago, when she was moved to the hospital from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Rex K. Latham, 1901 Seminary, with whom she resided in recent years.

She came to Alton with her husband in 1886 from Blairstown, N. J., where the late Col. Jackson had served as an instructor for two years at Blair Academy. Her husband took a teaching position at Wyman Institute, which he and the late Col. G. D. Eaton later reorganized and established as Western Military Academy.

Mrs. Jackson manifested her great interest in the academy by serving as the gracious hostess at the school on all occasions during her husband's presidency. She possessed a remarkable memory for alumni returning to the academy, and after her son, Col. Ralph L. Jackson, became the school's head following her husband's death, Mrs. Jackson was always present to greet former students and their families when they returned at commencement or for other events. Until the last, she retained her keen interest in her children's and grandchildren's friends, as well as her own.

She was concerned deeply with civic organizations and was a charter member of the Upper Alton Woman's Club, founded more than 50 years ago; an organizing and life member of Alton chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution, and an organizer of the Alton Woman's Home.

A graduate of 1884 of Boston Conservatory of Music, Boston, Mass., where she studied music and art, Mrs. Jackson continued her interest in both fields after coming to Alton. She played the piano for the academy chapel services over a long period, sang for many years in the Domiant Ninth Chorus and studied painting at Shurtleff College with the late Paul Harney.

Mrs. Jackson and her husband were members for 40 years of the First Presbyterian Church, but in

THOMAS SULLIVAN BARRETT

Tom Barrett entered Western in 1929-30, in the seventh grade. That year and the following were happy ones for Tom. He received honorable mention for his studies, and was out for "C" football. 1931-32 found Tom at last in high school, and very active in athletics. He was also a member of the Shrapnel staff. Tom broke his arm while wrestling, which kept him away from school for the next year.

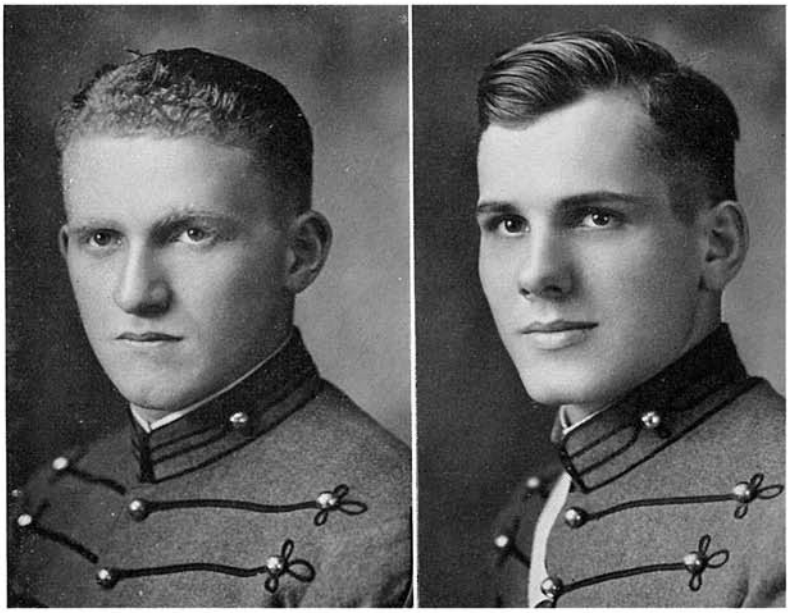
Tom returned for his junior year in '33. He was a first class private in military work; in social activities, Tom was a member of the Junior Dance Committee, Glee Club, Dramatic Club, and Shrapnel staff; in athletics, he played No. 2 on the tennis team and succeeded in earning a medal in track.

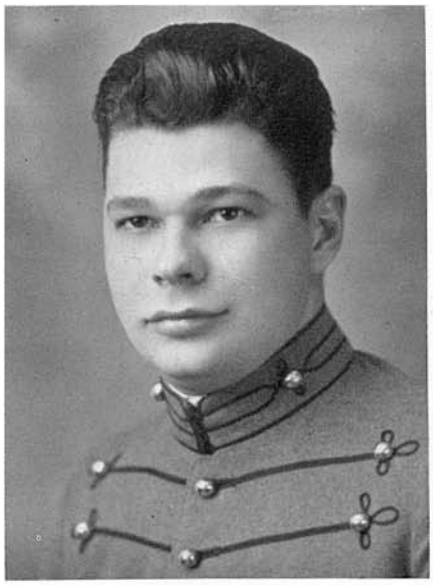
This year Tom continued his activities. He was a sergeant, member of the Shrapnel staff, the Prep football team. This spring he played No. 1 on the tennis team. He is well known for his generous disposition and his Irish temper.

RALPH BORDEN JACKSON

Ralph is the only member of our class who has established a new school record in athletics. Last year he broke the existing record in the 220-yard swim and since then he has steadily lowered his mark, ending with a final victory over Culver. For two years he played a steady and dependable game of football. He took part in a number of one-act plays and ended with an important part in the Senior Play. His academic average has caused him to rank in the highest third of his class throughout his five years.

Here is a guy who can be depended on. He is a square shooter with a capital S and he is the kind of a fellow who never takes advantage of his position.





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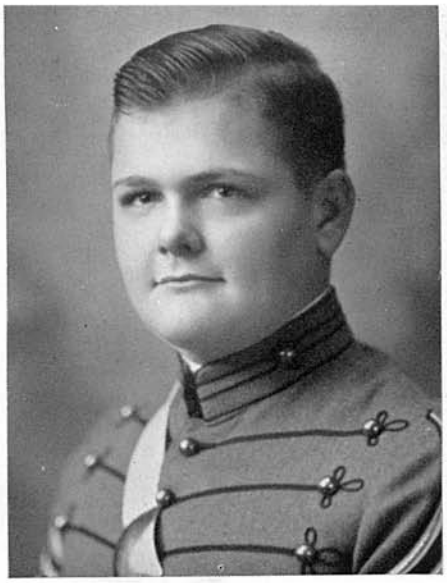


JACKSON

KADET

FRANKLIN HOLTON

Second Year — Lacon, Ill.

With a powerful physique and a brilliant mind, Holton came to us from Lacon, Illinois. He is a member of the Club "400". Frank was out for "Prep" basketball his first year but was never interested enough to make the team. He was on the boxing team last year. He did outstanding work on the wrestling team. Monticello and Mayre have occupied most of Holton's time this year.

CHARLES BORDEN JACKSON

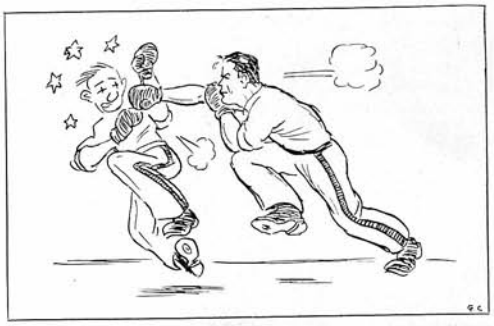
Fourth Year — 2009 Seminary, Alton, Ill.

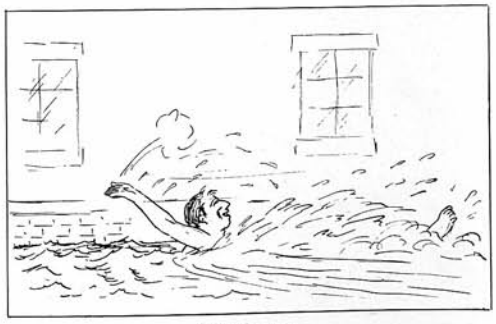
"Chuck is the Master of Ceremonies on the Senior Dance Committee, having served so ably on the Junior Dance Committee last year. Charley holds the rank of cadet lieutenant and commands the first platoon of Company "A". He has played "C" and "Prep" football, as well as "B" and "Prep" soccer. "Chuck", having been very active in dramatics, was given the lead in the Senior Play this year—a worthy part for a worthy actor.

GERALD MORTON KADET

Third Year — 5028 Arthur Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

"Jerry" came from Chicago three years ago and has been one of Western's chief fun-makers ever since. He is a first sergeant in "C" Company and is a military senior. Kadet was a fine player on the "C" football team for two years, advancing to the "B" team this year. He has been very active in dramatics and basketball. A fine swimmer, "Jerry" was Western's regular back-stroker this year. He is one of the leading characters in the Senior Play. He is a member of the Senior Dance Committee.





"FRANK"
"CHUCK"
"JERRY"

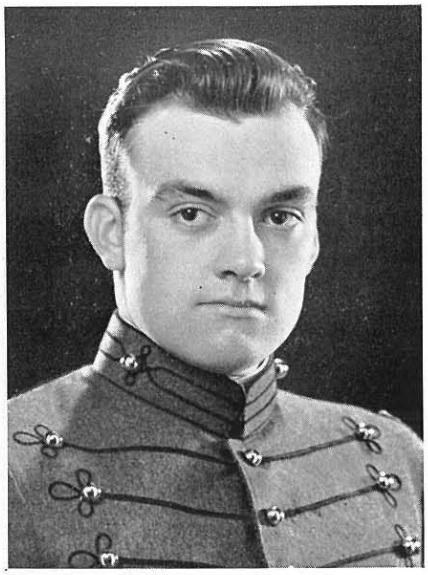
WILLIAM ANDREW JACKSON

4 Years

Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois

Bill

"First in the 100-yard breast stroke, Jackson of Western!" Bill, for three years, earned a "Prep" letter in swimming, and because of his undefeated record this year, he was voted captain of the team. The title of Master of Ceremonies on the Senior Dance Committee also belonged to Bill. He was a member of the "400" Club. His participation in various plays and the Senior Play proved him to be an actor of superior ability. He was a lieutenant in the battalion. Bill helped greatly in planning and making Activities section of this year's RECALL.



ROBERT BUNTIN JONES

2 Years

Hotel Franklin, Benton, Illinois

Bob Jones was a valuable part of the framework of "Prep" athletics at Western. He was a two-year letterman in football, basketball and track. He was elected captain of the "A" basketball team and sergeant-at-arms of the "W" Club. Bob was a sergeant in "B" Company, and because of his reliability was assistant floor chief of the 2nd floor, "A" Barracks. Many a Sunday found this lad of "big brudder" fame strolling the campus of Monticello, and as a result of his social activities he was a member of the Senior Dance Committee.

Bob

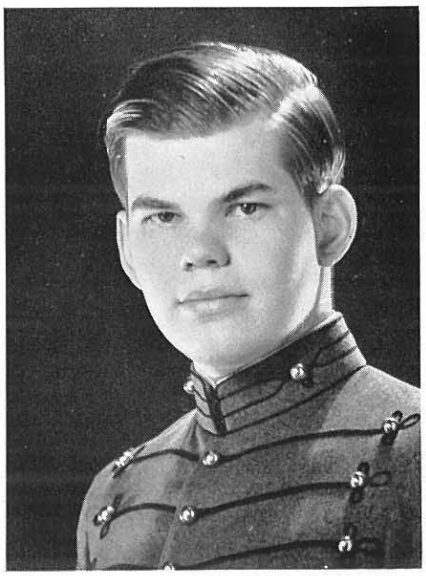
LEE O. KAFFENBERGER

3 Years

7608 Cornell, University City, Missouri

Kaffy

The name of Lee Kaffenberger has been for three years now a symbol of the lighter side of Western, for the smile of Lee's face was always as dependable as the rock of Gibraltar. Lee made some accomplishments while here. He rode well and took part in the horse shows. He earned major letters in soccer. He was an invaluable member of the RECALL business staff and was even better known as a salesman, having represented the Dee Floral Company for two years. "Smiles," as Lee was often called, held the rank of Supply Sergeant in the corps, a responsible position for a dependable always-willing-to-work fellow.



A TRIBUTE

We cannot refrain from expressing in this first Shrapnel of the new school year the sense of loss that the cadets feel in the death of Mrs. Ralph L. Jackson, wich occurred during the summer.

As we assemble again upon the campus, we miss the influence of her serene but forceful personality. Mrs. Jackson was a woman of rare charm. Her outstanding characteristics were a calm poise and a sweet gentleness. She was a truly cultured woman in the finest sense of the word. Though she chose to exert her influence in an unobtrusive way, yet she contributed much to the life of Western cadets by her gracious presence at scool events and social affairs, where she was always the perfect hostess. She maintained a keen interest in the life of the school, for her own sons were among the students.

May we say again, in this inadequate way, that we miss Mrs. Jackson and that we feel a genuine sympathy for her bereaved family.

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"MASQUE COMIQUE." IN ACADEMY GROVE

"THE BONE CRACKERS"

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Don't Miss Western's
SCIENCE FAIR!!
April 19 and 20

EXHIBITS BY W.M.A. SCIENCE STUDENTS
DISPLAYS BY SEVERAL MAJOR INDUSTRIES

Western's Science Fair Most Successful Ever Held Here; Over 1300 Visitors See Exhibits Of Students And Industries

Cadets Display Over 100 Projects And Explain Them

by Jim Cook

Last Sunday, April 20, Western held its most successful Science Fair. Over 1300 spectators crowded the drill hall and field house to see projects displayed by over 100 science students and exhibits by five major industries. The rain Sunday morning no doubt cut down the attendance, but the afternoon was clear enough for a wonderful dress parade and Honor Guard demonstration, which most of the people stayed to see.

Visitors Impressed

Visitors were greatly impressed by the projects of Capt. Lange's physics and chemistry classes and Maj. Bresson's biology classes. The exhibits showed real work on the part of the students, who could explain their displays very clearly. Visitors saw everything from Atom Charts, Production of Antibiotics, and Blood Typing to Solar Furnaces, Atomic Power Plant, Ancient Reptiles, and all kinds of animal anatomy, Pollination, and Soil Conservation.

All projects were listed in the "Shrapnel" previously. It is hoped that the list can be repeated next week. The visitors milled around, stopping before the various exhibits and listening to the explanations. Too much credit cannot be given to cadets for their effort and work. They proved that science is a live subject at Western. Spectators were given neat programs listing all projects.

Prizes For Best Projects

Five cadets received prizes for their exhibitions. Cadets Richard Small and Gary Block shared the award given for the top project in chemistry. "The [illegible]

Harper Wins In Physics

Jerry Harper won first in the physics field with his Van de Graff generator. He constructed a working model out of a small motor, a rubber belt, a lucite tube and two lucite pulleys, bronze and copper wire, and an aluminum sphere. The motor motor made the rubber belt move through the lucite tube, generating electricity. The electricity was collected on a bronze wire brush and the current was conducted to the aluminum sphere. When a metal object was placed near the sphere, sparks flew out, each half-inch spark representing 50,000 volts. Harper lit fluorescent bulbs and used other objects to vary the spark gap. Jerry's project was hand-made and was a big attraction.

Larry Kushkin won the Superintendent's Award, given by Col. Jackson, in recognition of superior service in organizing projects, interest shown, and all-round helpfulness in setting up the fair. He also had two projects himself, a hand-made hydraulic lift and a capacity operated relay. His projects were well constructed and interesting.

Merit Awards This Week

Capt. Gordon Lange, Chairman of the Fair, thought that it was a great success, even though it missed its goal of 1500 visitors. The previous attendance was 900. He expressed appreciation to the industries which participated by sending exhibits, to Maj. Bresson, Assistant Chairman, to the "Shrapnel" for publicity, to Sgt. Peacher, who helped construct projects in the hobby shop, and to many others. He said that winners of certificates of merit would be announced this week.

The judges of the projects were

Industrial Exhibits Popular At Fair

by Jim Cook

The exhibits by five industries at the Science Fair attracted much attention and added greatly to the success of the occasion.

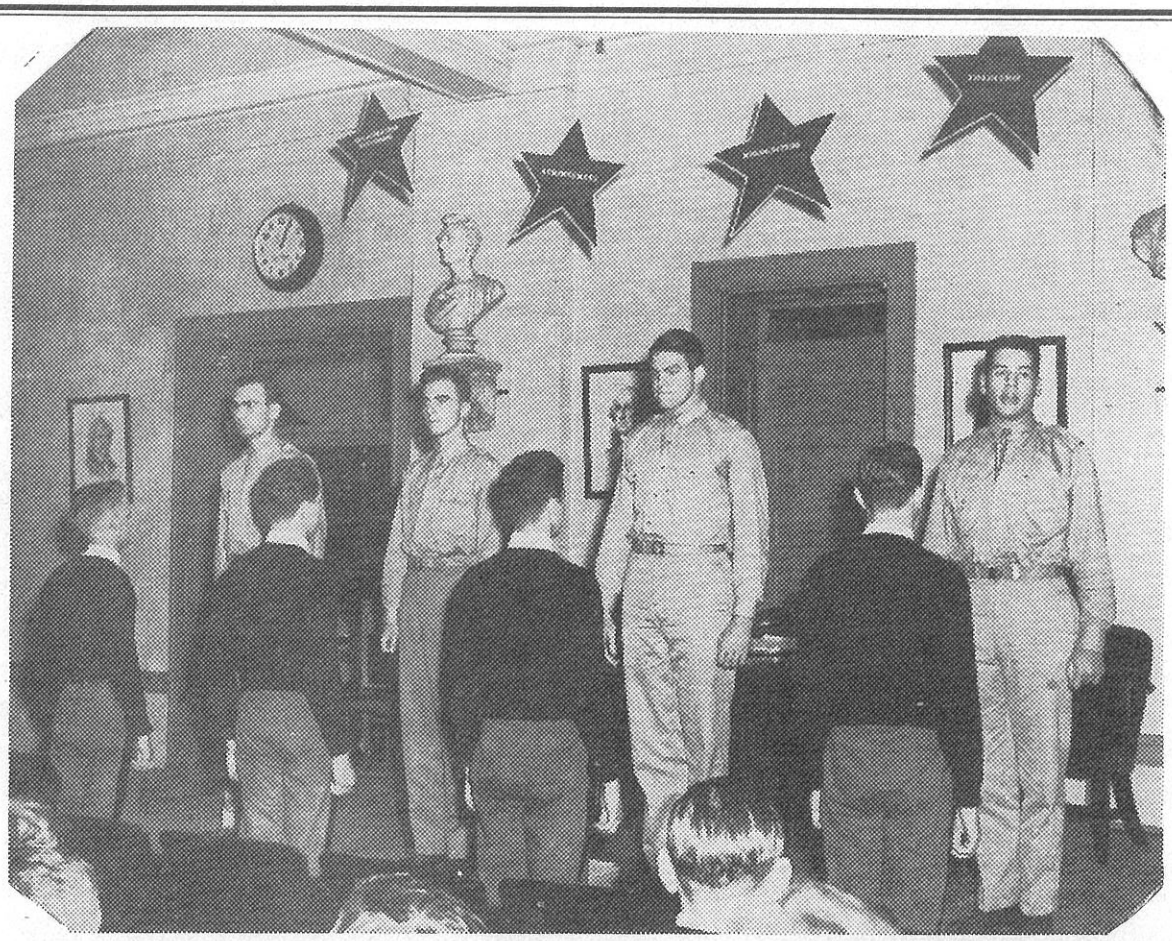
The Sinclair Oil Company had a special exhibit on asphalt from their own laboratories. The theme, "Science's Helpfulness in Useful Products" went along with the general idea of the fair. This well-lighted display explained the process of acquiring asphalt from petroleum by using a tube still heated, a fractioning tower, and various tanks to store the different grades of distilled oil. Twenty per cent of distilled crude oil becomes asphalt. One board showed tests which determine the grade and quality of asphalt. Lab experts from the Sinclair Refining at Wood River performed the various tests. The viscosimeter determines forces which oppose free flowing. The pennetrometer measures the consistency of asphalt. Other exhibits showed asphalt specifications for state turnpikes in Oklahoma, Kansas, New Hampshire, Maine, and New Jersey.

Atomic Energy

The Atomic Energy Museum of Oak Ridge, Tenn., displayed "The Useful Atom." It had a model of a nuclear power plant that showed how to turn nuclear energy into electrical power. Boards, easy to understand, explained that atomic energy is obtained from radiation from the sun, the earth, and radio-active minerals. Radioisotopes are secured by smashing uranium atoms. They are used in fertilizers, in industry to measure wear caused by friction, and in medicine to locate abnormalities and diseases.

Bell Telephone Co.

The Bell Telephone Company's ex-



Courtesy Alton Evening Telegraph

MEMBERS OF CLASS '41 TRANSFER ALL-AMERICAN TRADITION TO CLASS '42

On Platform, left to right—Lieuts. Gary, Hamilton, Kahle, and Roth; Facing platform—Cadets Hill, Kummer, Rawls, T., and Copeland.

"Recall", Western's Yearbook, Wins All American Rating For Fourth Successive Year; Four-star Announcement Is made In Assembly And Flowers Are Presented To Mrs. N. Williams

Five All-American Ratings Have Been Gained By "Recall"

Western Yearbook Has Record Of Unsurpassed National Recognition

One form of national recognition gained by a Western project, which probably cannot be approached by any other school in the United States, is the All-American rating won for five straight years by the "Recall," the yearbook. That means that for five years the W. M. A. annual has been judged by the National Scholastic Press Association as among the very best in the country.

This unusual standard of excellence was attained under the expert sponsonship of Mrs. Newell Williams. The yearbook was carefully graded on every phase—photography, layouts, coverage, captions, art, interest, plan, written material, etc. Copies of the "Recall" have been displayed all over the country in exhibits showing what a good yearbook should be.

No preparatory school annual in the U. S. can equal the five-year All-American record of the "Recall." Mrs. Williams devoted much time to building the annual and she always had a capable staff. She was an authority on yearbook planning. In photography she always had the invaluable aid of the Camera Club, supervised by Capt. Newell Williams.

This year Capt. and Mrs. Williams are no longer at Western. The "Recall" is now sponsored by Capt. W. M. Hinton, aided by a staff of Seniors headed by Barker, editor, and Raith, business manager. Capt. Hinton and the staff had several handicaps to overcome, one of them being a late start. The most serious obstacle has been the securing of pictures, as all photography supplies were limited by priorities. When asked if the 1943 "Recall" would be All-American, Capt. Hinton replied, "The printer and engraver have both praised the layout of this year's book. However, the staff is concerned first with getting out the annual. We have had so many prob-

Animal Circus Is Presented In Gym Saturday For Corps

Ponies, Monkeys, Dogs, And Bear Do Clever Tricks For Audience

Last Saturday the cadets and a score of girls from Monticello were entertained by the Bible Animal Circus, which was composed of three Shetland ponies, six dogs, four monkeys, four pigeons, and last, but not least, a California brown bear.

The first act was a performance by the three ponies which trotted around the small ring in various formations to the music from the W. M. A. band. Then two dogs were brought into the ring and, as one of the ponies trotted around the ring, the two dogs would alternately jump on and off the backs of the horses. Then, two monkeys, were put in place of the dogs and the act was carried on as before.

Educated Pony

In the next act, the cadets enjoyed a performance by a mathematical pony who could add and subtract numbers from one to ten. It had taken Mr. Bible a year and a half to train this pony but he had done a good job, as the cadets saw. The cadets were allowed to give problems and the greater part of the time the pony was right. This stunt was performed with a rack which held ten wooden pegs, numbered from one to ten and when the pony was given the problem, it would pick out the correct peg.

Then came the bear with his amusing performance which was carried on upon a rigging in the shape of a football goal post. After quite a bit of coaxing, Mr. Bible gave the somewhat stubborn bear a mighty shove and much to Mr. Bear's surprise, he was upon the cross-bar, where he did several tricks such as walking back and forth on his hind legs and grunting in disgust all the way.

After the bear had finished, four

Cadets Have Last Outing Of Fall At Chautauqua Resort

By Schweppe

Last Saturday twenty-three new cadets, accompanied by Capt. Ford and Lieut. R. B. Jackson, left the campus immediately after the football game for a weekend at Chautauqua, Illinois. It was the last of three such outings this fall.

After a roaring bus ride, the cadets arrived and deposited their gear at the Kentucky Home Hotel. They played around and then enjoyed an extremely delicious dinner.

Unlike the other groups, this party had no program, but the cadets did hike along the Mississippi River to Elsah. Four young ladies were invited to go along on the hike. At Elsah, some tried to explore the bluffs but got lost and returned to Chautauqua by a paved road. The refreshments served when the cadets got back to the hotel were appreciated by all.

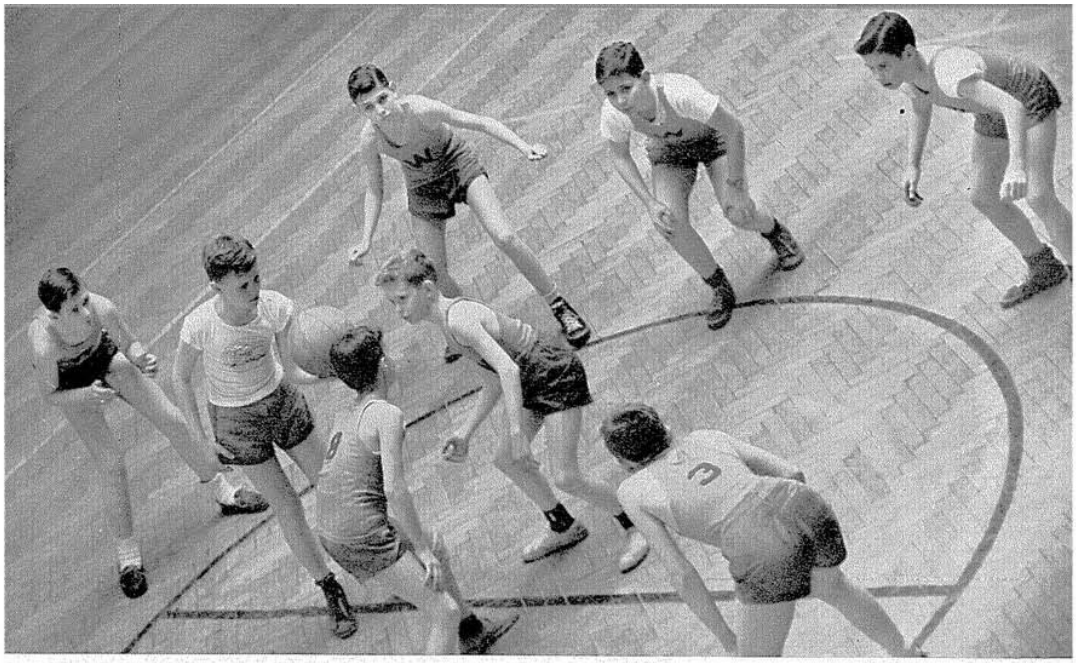
Sunday morning the Catholics went to church at Grafton. Then after a hearty breakfast, the cadets and two officers, equipped with a coil of rope, two walkie-talkies, and a .45 calibre automatic, started on a second hike to climb the bluffs. All were allowed to shoot the automatic.

The climb three-fourths of the way up the cliffs was easy, but near the top the cadets found a very steep ledge with loose rocks. About five made it to the top, using coveralls tied together to pull the climbers over the steep-angled wall. The coil of rope was brought and the going became easier.

A loose rock rolled down and struck Reeder on the head. Capt. Ford took him to the hospital in a car, but his wound was not serious.

The cadets returned from the hike and played football and softball until time for a fried chicken dinner. The rooms were straightened out, and the boys soon climbed aboard the school bus, with yells and goodbyes for the girls of Chautauqua.

Those on the trip were: Anding, Alanis, Baldwin, Davidson, Dickinson, Glist, Hamilton, Hubbard, Leyer-



The cadets of the Lower School like basketball too

It is fun to learn how to sail a boat on the Alton Lake

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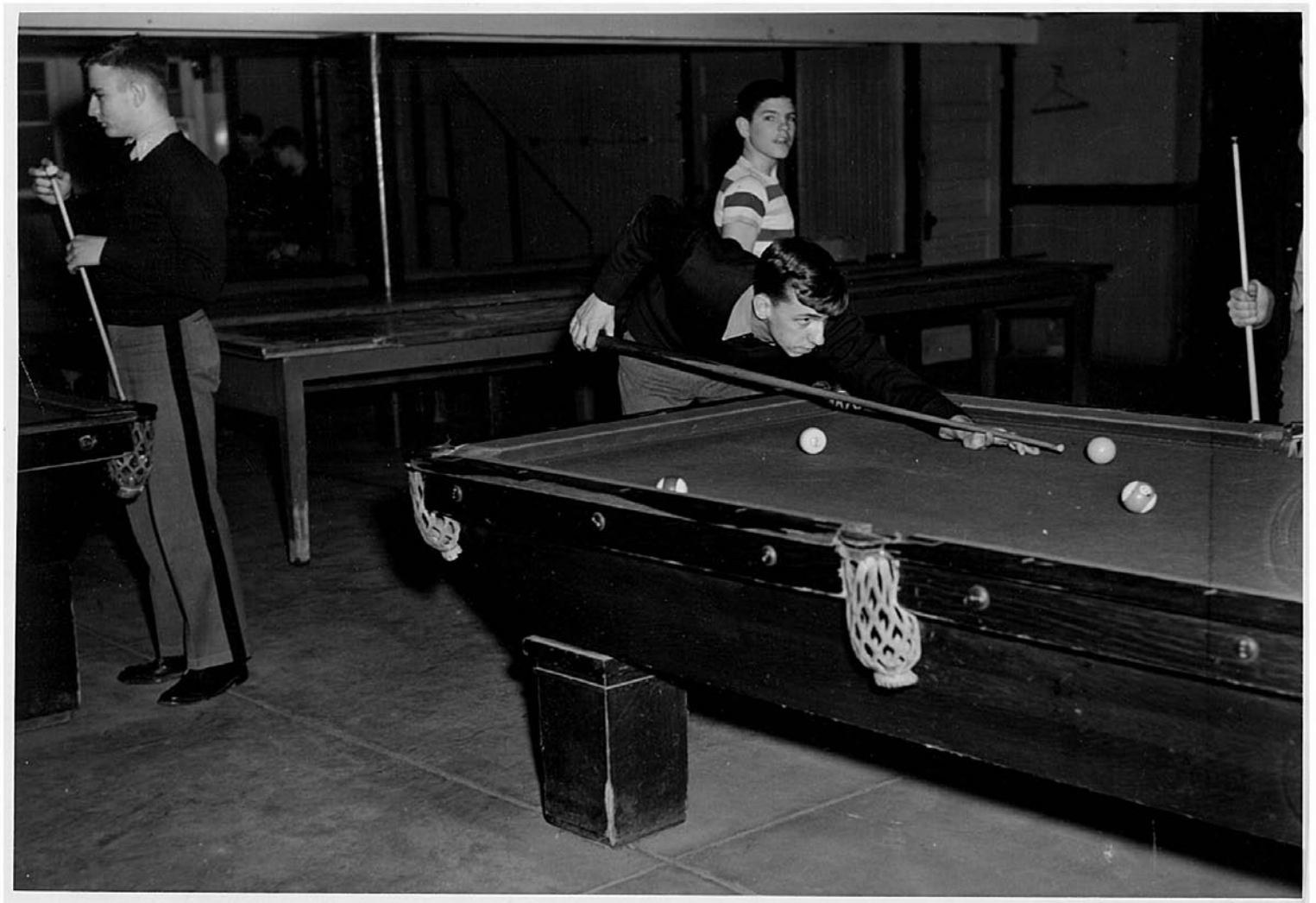

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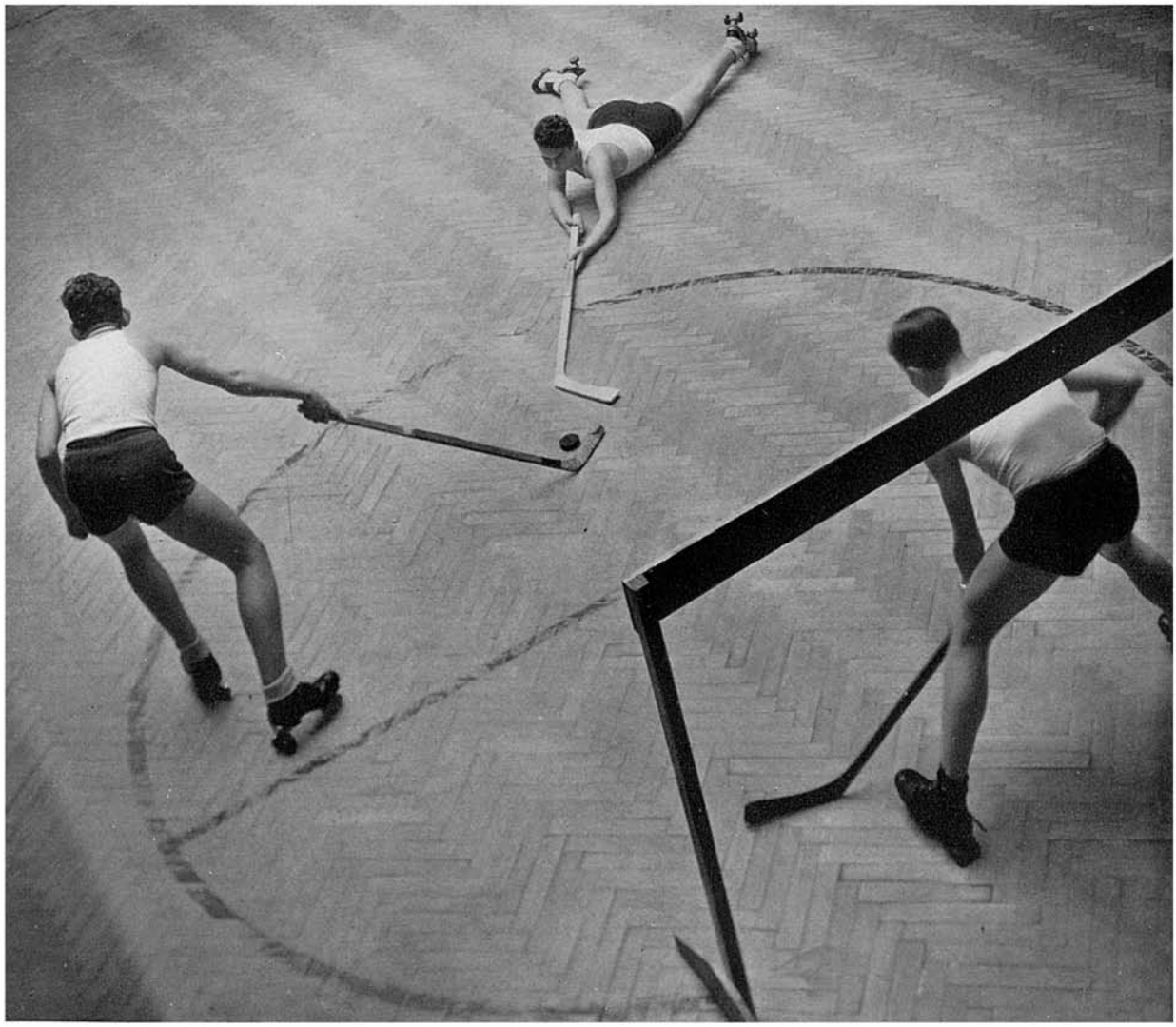
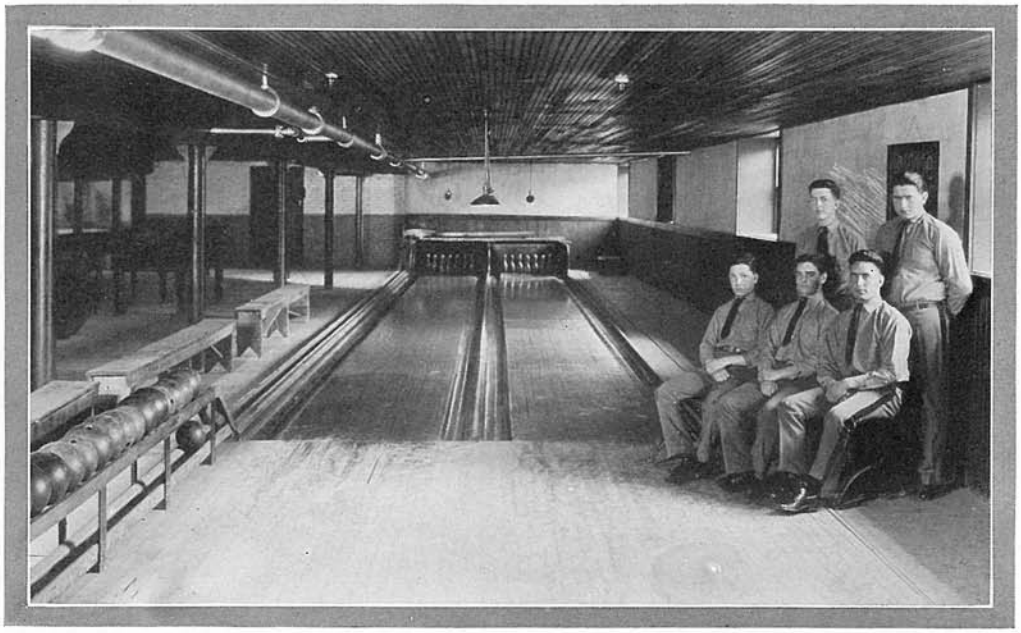


TOO often a school's athletic program leaves most of the students on the sidelines. At Western the ideal is "physical training and athletics for every boy." An unusually broad athletic program is provided. Western athletes are known not only for their skill and determination, but for the obvious pleasure they derive from "playing the game."

The Boy Scout Club pauses for a picture just before starting on a supper hike.

The Academy bobsleds are popular when snow covers the campus hills.



Bowling Team 1923-24

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TORRES, A.

1927

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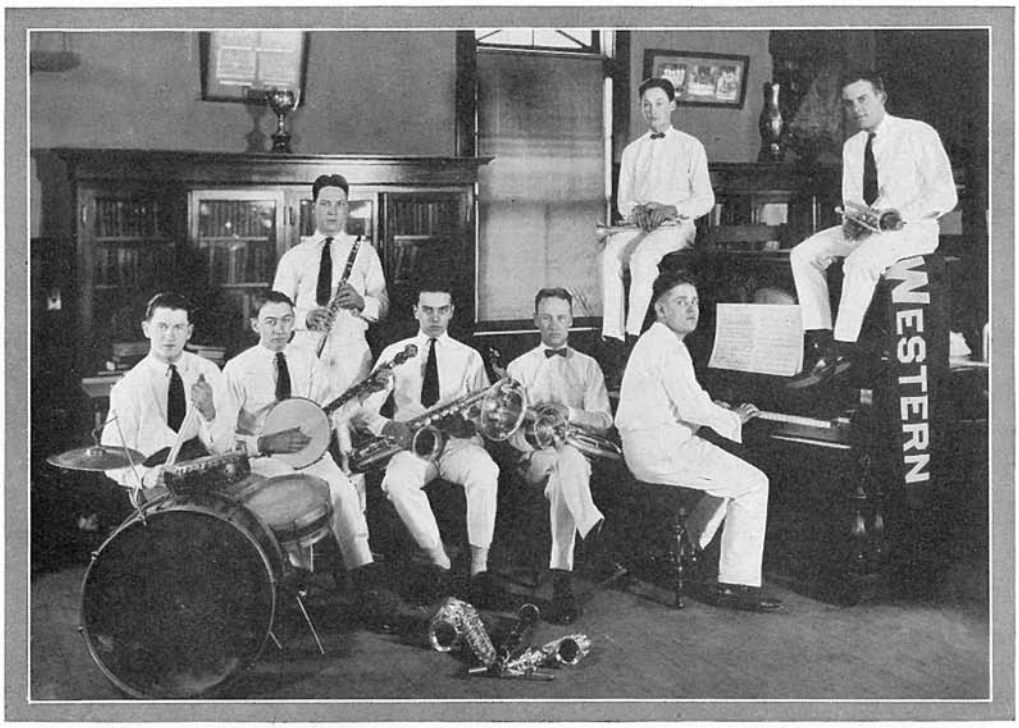


The Red Hot Jazz Orchestra

"EVERY NOTE A GEM"

Members

Drums
E. B. Holmes

Banjo
Glade Hard
E. K. Hart

Cornets
E. M. Savage

Clarinet
A. G. Kissner

Saxaphones
R. C. Hattersley

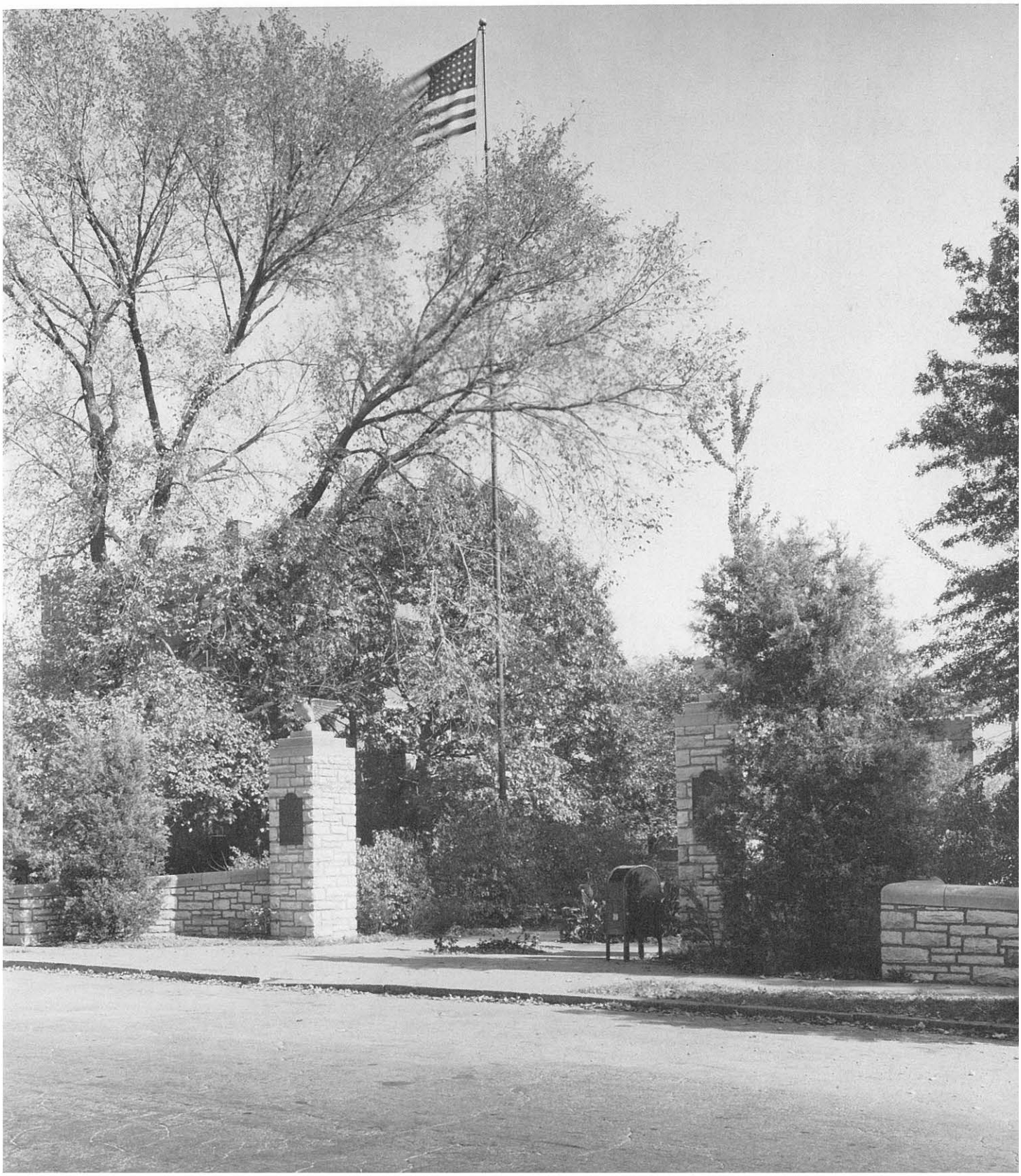
Euphonium
Capt. R. S. Eaton

Piano
L. N. Washburn

HONOR RIBBONS

WESTERN-AIRES

WE'LL ALWAYS REMEMBER



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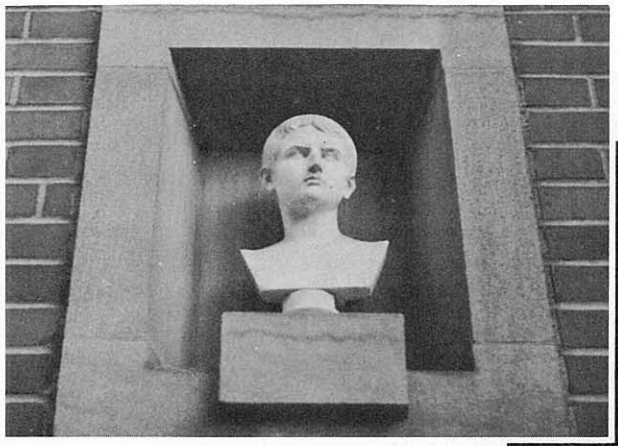
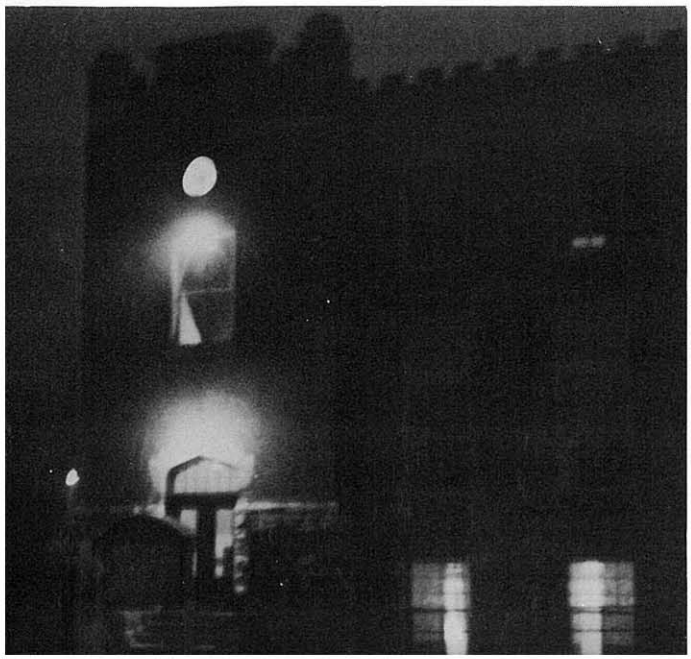


FAREWELL...

PREP SCHOOL DAYS ARE OVER, AND WE LINGER UPON THESE SCENES WHICH ARE SO FAMILIAR, SO IMPORTANT. HERE AT WESTERN WE HAVE SPENT OUR YOUTH-FILLED MOMENTS, AND HERE, TOO, THE FIRST PHASE OF OUR YOUTH MUST END. IT IS TIME TO TURN THE PAGE, CLOSE THE BOOK, AND GO ON TO THE NEXT CHAPTER IN OUR LIVES.



GOODBYE

THE PLANE, WINGING ITS WAY OUT FROM THE CAMPUS OVER THE MEMORIAL GATE, SYMBOLIZES OUR LAST WISH FOR THE SENIORS—AND ALL WESTERN CADETS.

HAPPY LANDING!

"And whether we shall meet again I know not.
Therefore our everlasting farewell take.
If we do meet again, why, we shall smile;
If not, why then this parting was well made."